STORM RIDERS 風雲

by Wing Shing Ma

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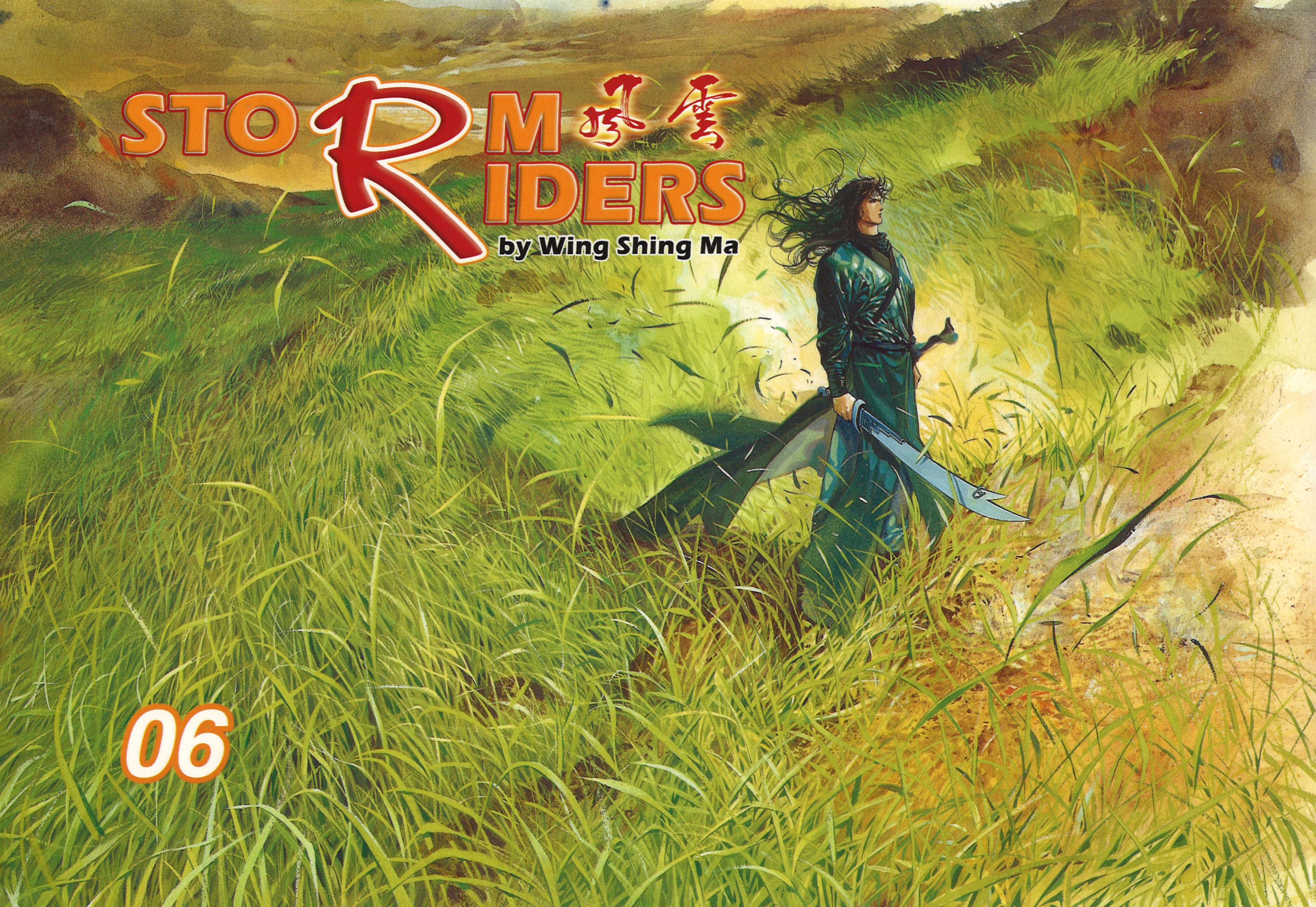
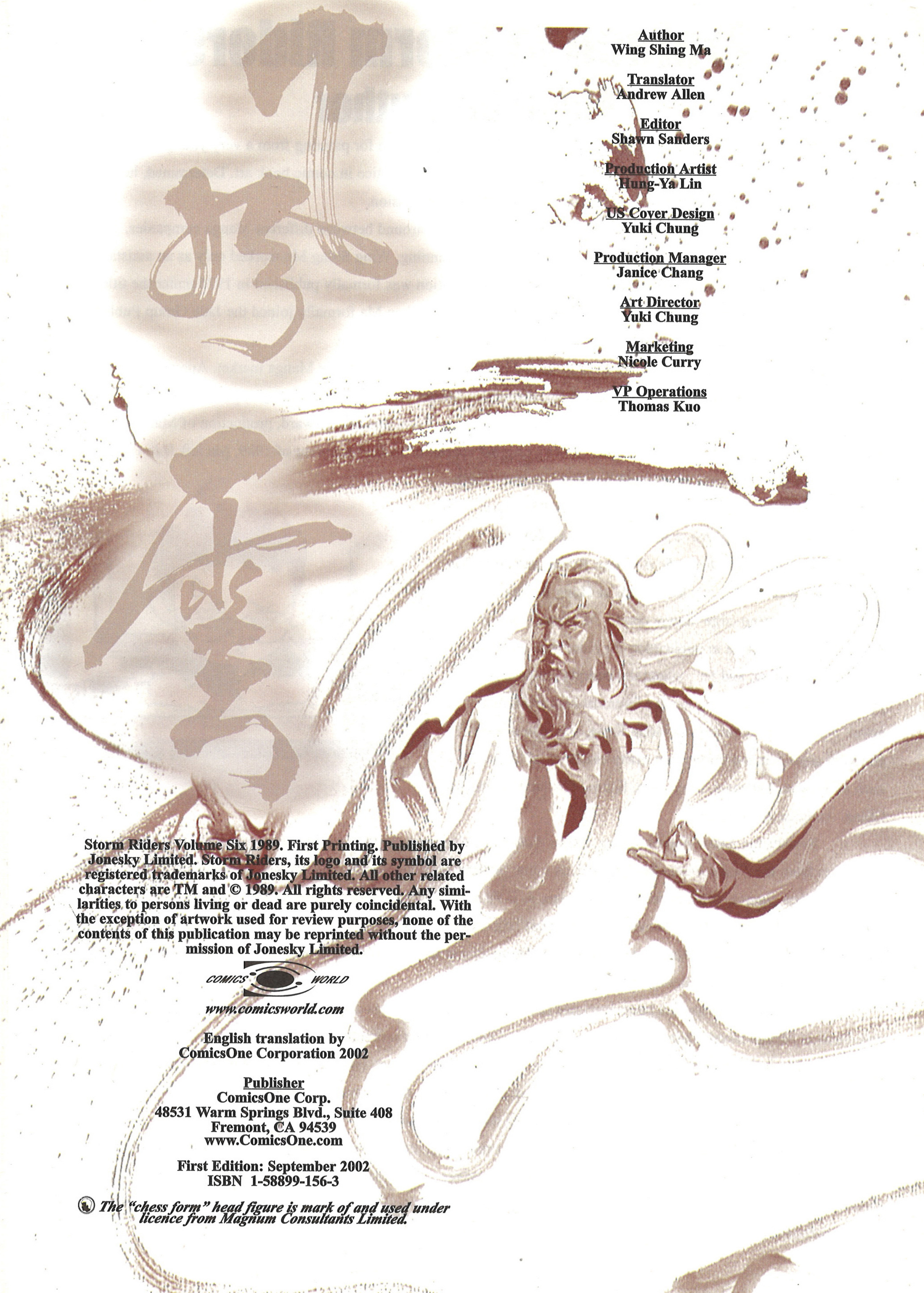


About the Author

Jonesky Limited was established in 1989. On July 1st of that same year Jonesky Limited founder Mr. Wing Shing Ma, started to publish his popular work *Storm Riders*. *Storm Riders* is the first Hong Kong Comic to use Kung Fu and movie techniques in a comic production. *Storm Riders* strikes a root in the hearts of its readers. Mr. Ma's style is loved and respected in Asia.



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Preface to Storm Riders

About the Author

Wing Shing Ma, born in Hong Kong in 1961, showed a deep love for painting from a very young age. In 1976, at the age of 14 he read in a newspaper about positions available as an apprentice in comic book art. Determined, he sent in his submission. This step marked his official entrance into the Manga profession.

After entering the comics world, he spent his time moving around between different Manga companies, such as Ru Xi Bao, Jin Manga (Gold Manga) and Xin Lang Chao. In the beginning, Wing Shing Ma worked only as an assistant, but before long he had published some of his own work. His first creation was formally published in 1976 under the title, *Daydream* (Bai Ri Meng). However, it wasn't until the year of 1982, when Ma formally joined the Jade Group Publishing Company Ltd., that he began working on the famous Manga novel, *Chinese Hero.*

By the middle of 1983, he had already leaped into the highest levels of the Manga market. Apart from his market success, Wing Shing Ma had established a new and distinctive Manga style. This realistic style, painted with exquisite brush strokes and detail, allowed for a deeply expressive form of Manga. From that day forward, production of Manga comics would forever be changed due to the impact of Ma's original approach. In the beginning of 1989, Ma left Jade Publishing, and in July of the same year established Jonesky Limited, which began publishing *Storm Riders, Black Panther,* and *Heaven Sword and the Dragon Sabre,* a Manga trilogy, as well as a fourth book, *Punishment from the Heavens.* By August 2000, Ma had released what to this day still stands as Hong Kong's most important and cutting-edge Manga comic. At present, *Storm Riders* has already been in publication for more than ten years. From the beginning, and throughout the entirety of those ten years, it has remained Hong Kong's foremost classic Manga novel. Apart from its success in Hong Kong, it is also a book that is in great demand throughout many countries of the world such as Taiwan, Malaysia, Singapore, Korea, Thailand, Mainland China, America and Canada.

Besides the *Storm Riders* Manga, *Storm Riders* has also given birth to a wide array of peripheral products that bear likenesses from the *Storm Riders* Manga, such as a line of letter openers based on Storm Riders' weapons, T-shirts, wrist watches, action figures, pens, paper fans, etc. Also, in 1998 a *Storm Riders* video game, as well as the *Storm Riders* movie was released. The *Storm Riders* movie achieved great box office success in Hong Kong, with box office sales exceeding 40 million Hong Kong dollars. Also in the works are a *Storm Riders* television series as well as a *Storm Riders* Net-based video game that will push the boundaries of the genre.

Wing Shing Ma has not been restricted to creating Mangas. He has also published many other books and periodicals, such as Manga novels, hardcover Manga novels and collections of individual artwork, as well as Chinese watercolor paintings. Also, in 1993 he began to import Japanese Mangas for translation into Chinese. His publication of a large number of high quality Japanese Mangas gave Hong Kong Manga readers the opportunity to come into contact with many different types of Manga genres, thus furthering diversification in the Manga market.

Apart from Hong Kong Manga, he has been invited many times to attend Manga exhibitions and conferences in Canada, Taiwan, Singapore and Macau, where he always receives an enthusiastic reception. Wing Shing Ma's success has shown the Hong Kong Manga world that a local product can most certainly reach the foreign marketplace and indeed achieve unprecedented success.

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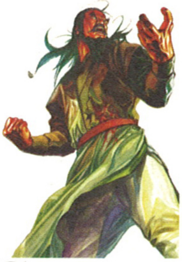
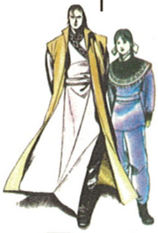
Relationship Chart



Conquer: Exceptionally powerful martial artist with plans of controlling the World Fighting Association. He takes on Wind and Cloud as his disciples in order to fulfill his destiny.
Technique: Chi of Triplication Returns to One, Triplication Fingers

Conquer

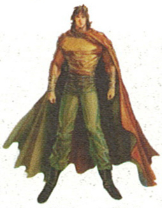


Frost: Long-time disciple of Conquer. Married to Conquer's adopted daughter Kong-Chi. Leader of the Frost Corps: an elite fighting unit which is a part of the World Fighting Association.
Technique: Sky Frost Fist

Kong-Chi

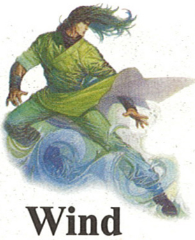
Kong-Chi: Adopted daughter of Conquer and wife of Frost, though her heart lies elsewhere.

Frost



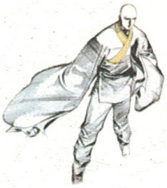
Cloud: Son of Master Ho and disciple of Conquer. Leader of the Cloud Corps: an elite fighting unit which is part of the World Fighting Association.
Technique: Repelling Palm
Weapon: Ultimate Sword (briefly, Unrivaled Sword)

Cloud
(Bu-Jing-Yun)



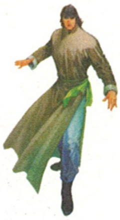
Wind: Disciple of Conquer and leader of the Wind Corps: an elite fighting unit which is part of the World Fighting Association. Son of Master Nie.
Techniques: Ice Heart Knack, Deity of Wind Kick
Weapon: Inherits the Snowy Saber

Wind
(Nie-Fong)



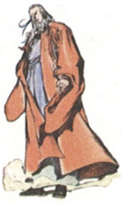
Bushi

Bushi: Friend of Nameless and Buddhist Master. Because of Bushi's mastery of inner peace, Nameless intended for Bushi to be young Cloud's master.
Technique: Transformation Knack, Transformation Defense



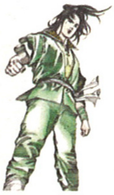
Nameless

Nameless: Nameless was once the undisputed master of the Kung Fu world, having defeated Sword Saint in a secret battle, driving him into exile. Nameless was said to have died of grief at age 23, after his enemies poisoned his wife. However, Sword Saint, Nameless's old rival, believes that he is still alive and seeks him out before his epic duel with Conquer.
Technique: Nameless Sword Skill
Weapon: Hero Sword



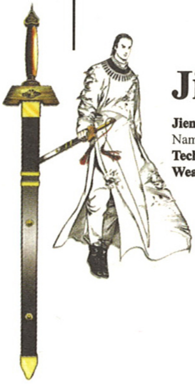
Sword Saint

Sword Saint: DuGu Ming's uncle and a Kung Fu master. He returns from retirement to help DuGu Ming defeat Conquer.
Technique: Sword Skill 21, Sword Skill 22, Sword Skill 23
Weapon: Unrivaled Sword



Duan-Lang

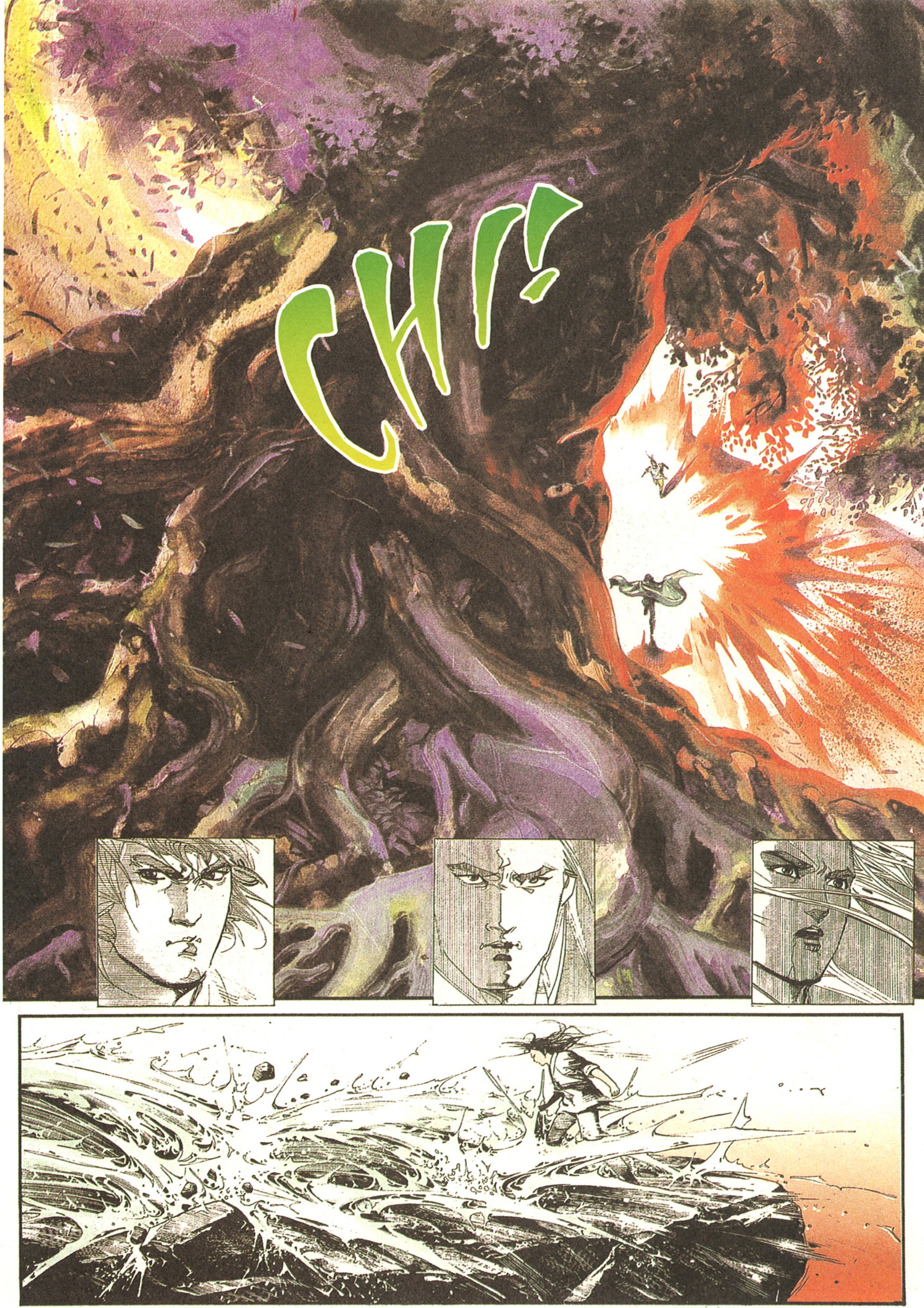
Duan-Lang: Son of Master Duan. Rescued from death by Conquer as a child, he was ultimately forced to flee from Conquer for reasons not yet revealed. He teams up with Sword Saint, DuGu Ming, and Conquer's other enemies in order to seek revenge.
Technique: Duan Technique
Weapon: Inherits the Flame Kylin Sword



Jien-Chen

Jien-Chen: This astonishingly skilled disciple of Nameless is sent to confront the powerful Sword Saint.
Technique: Nameless Sword Skill
Weapon: Inherits the Hero Sword

Chapter 20: Farewell My Concubine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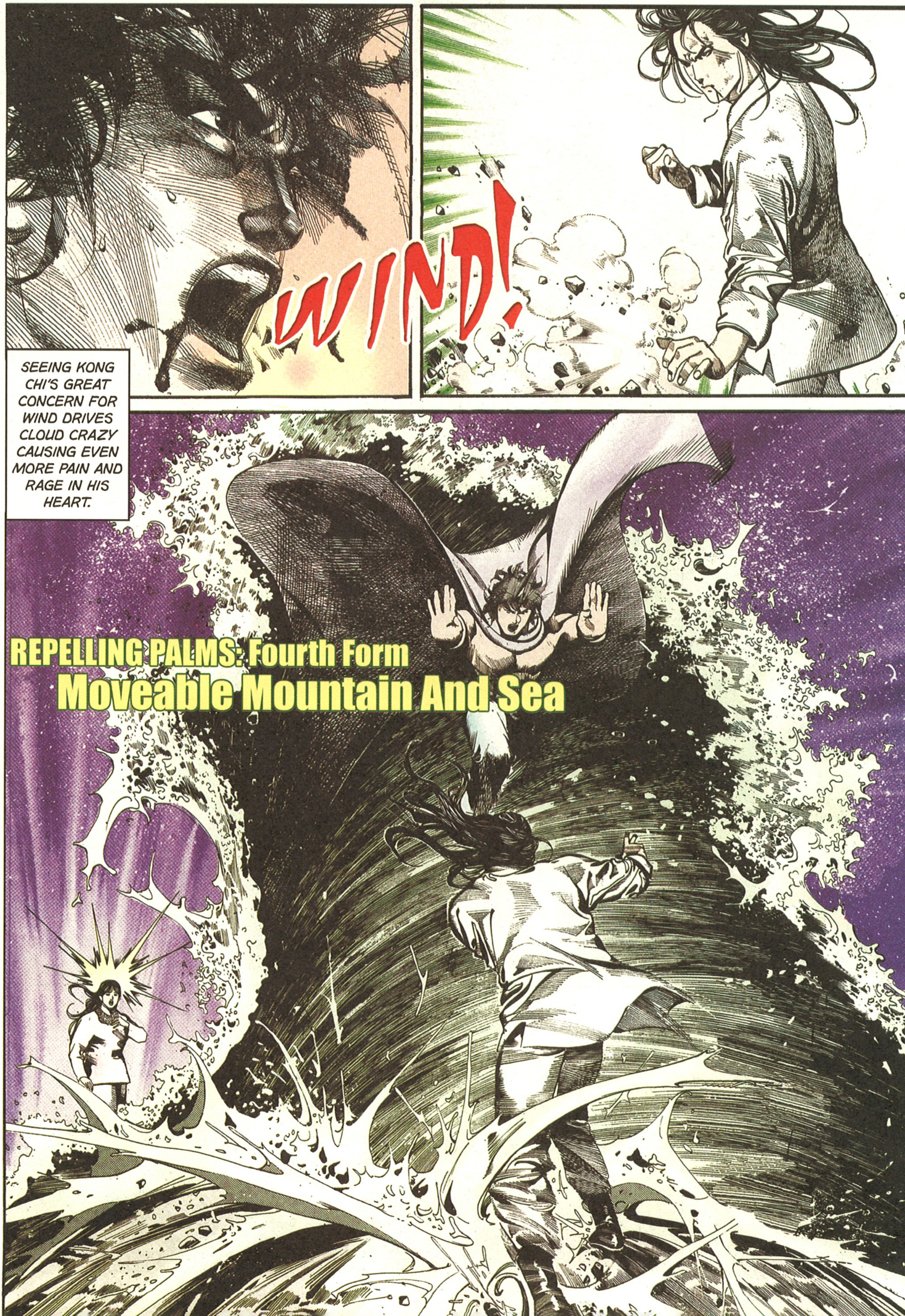
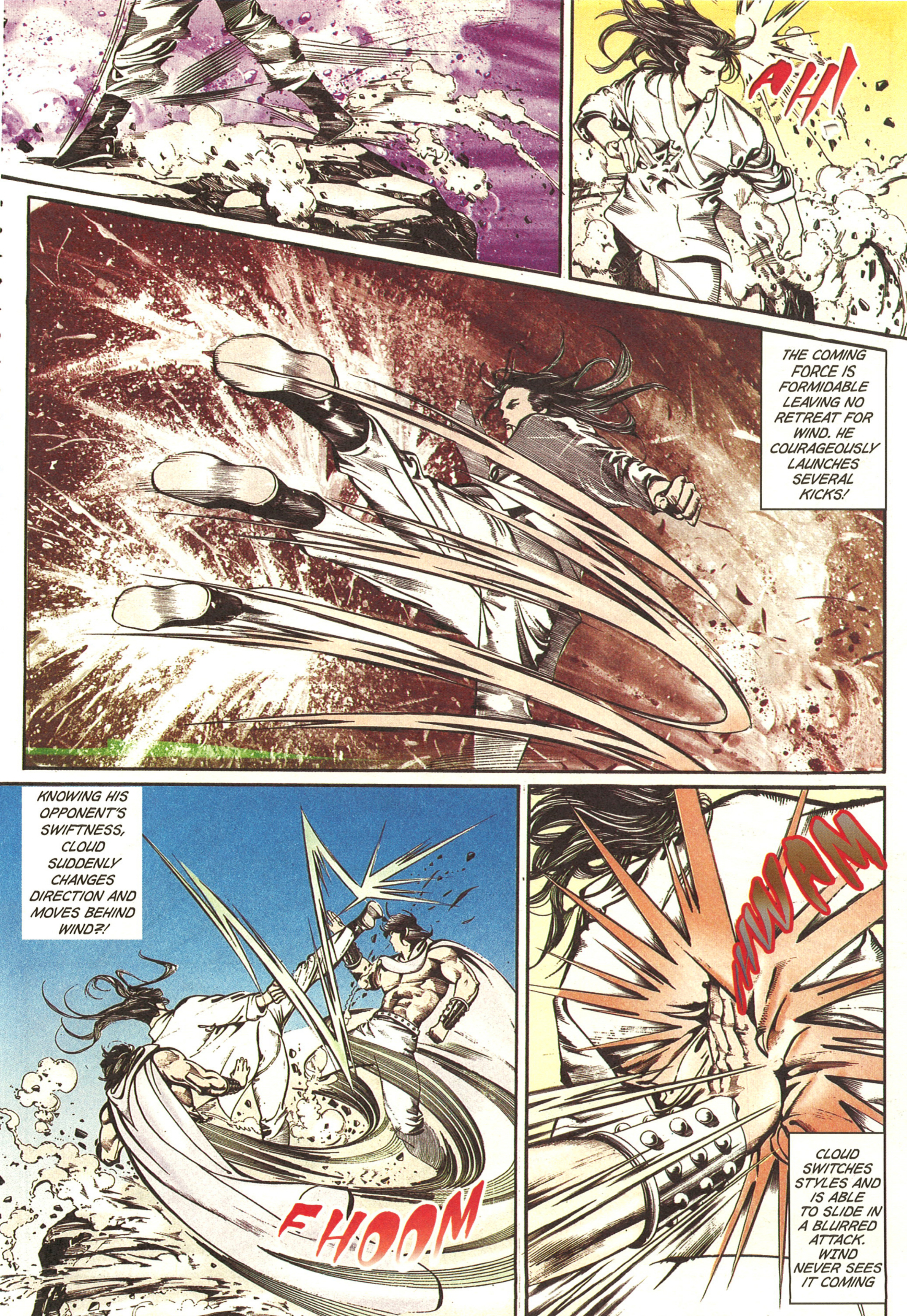
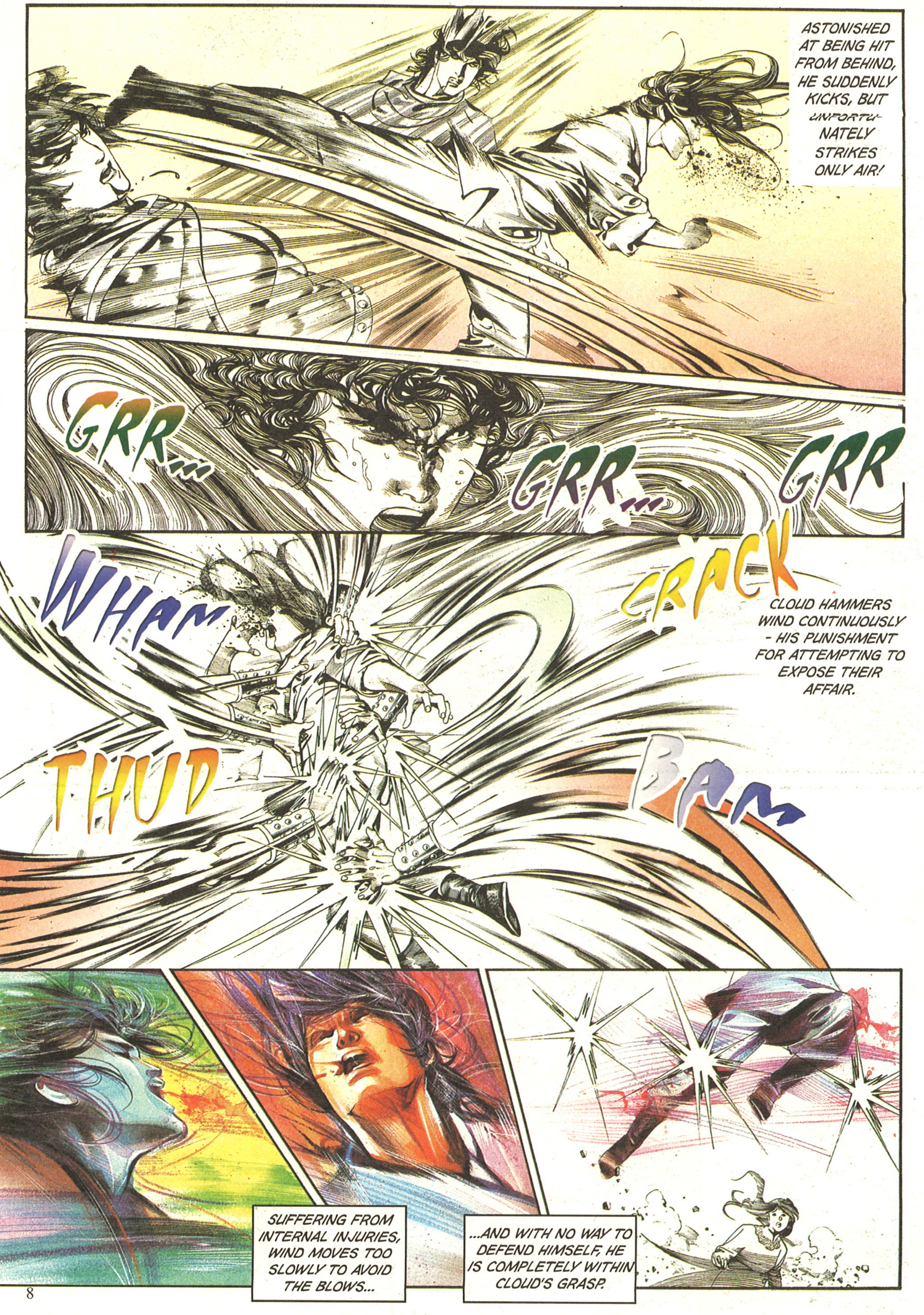
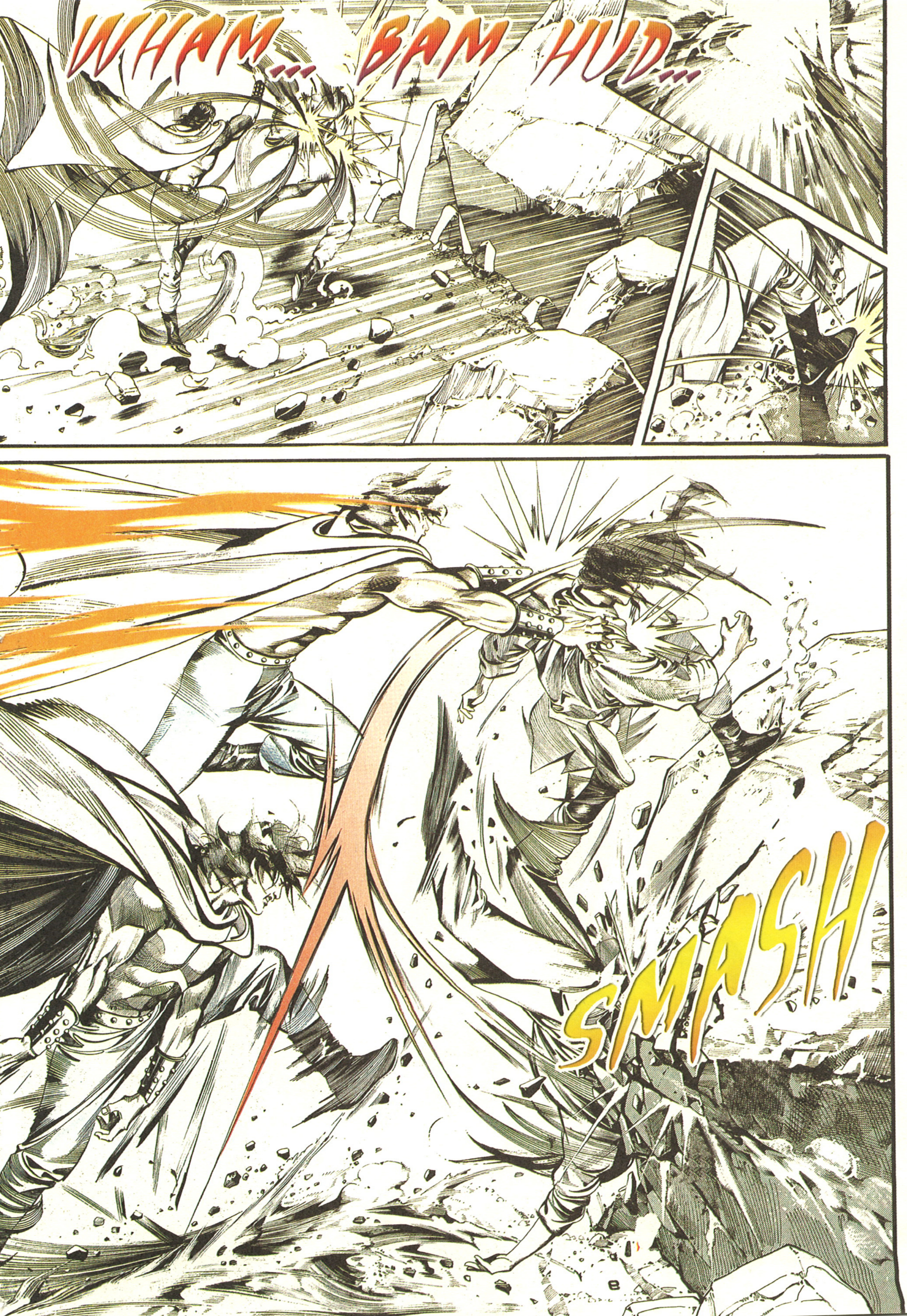
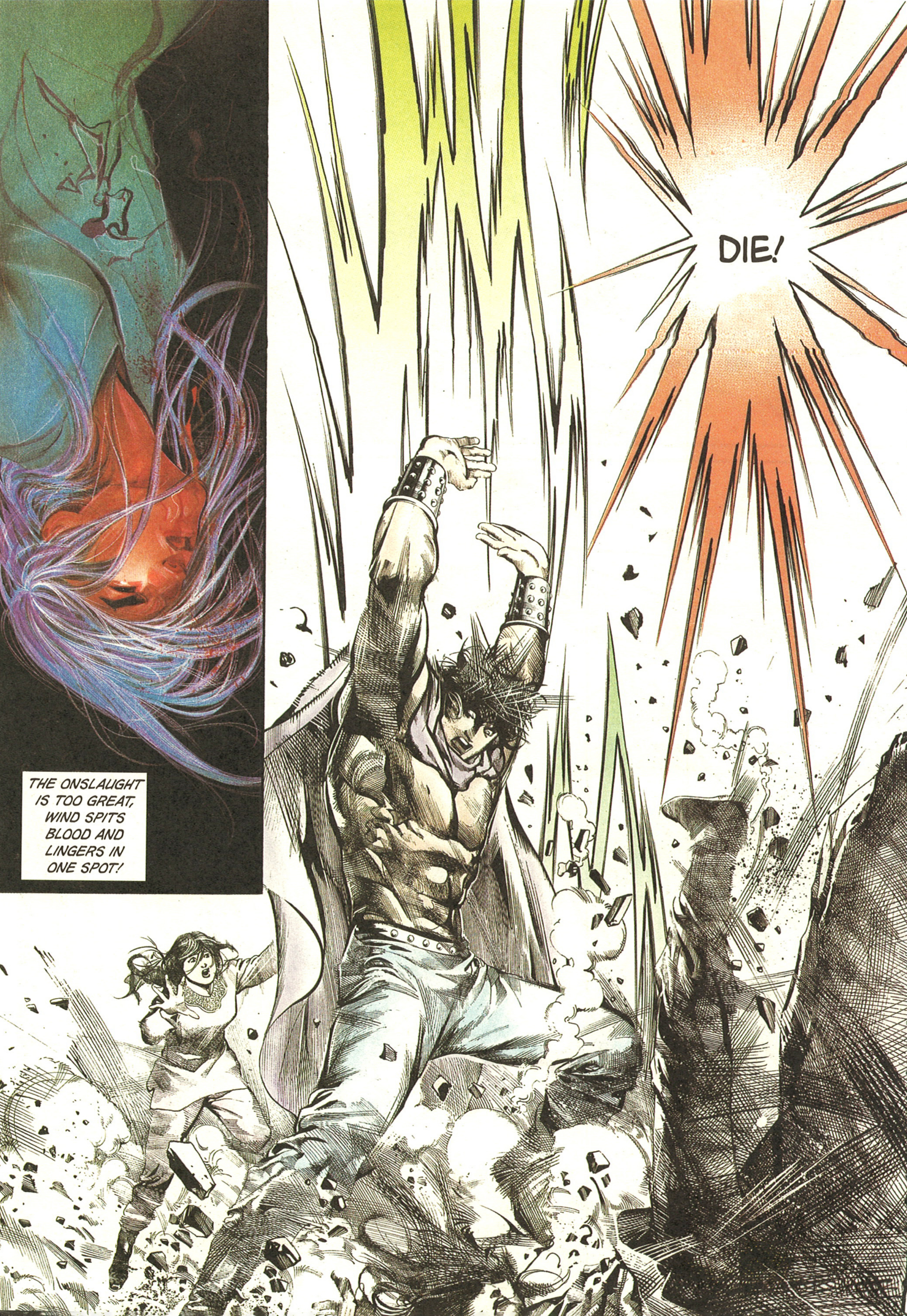
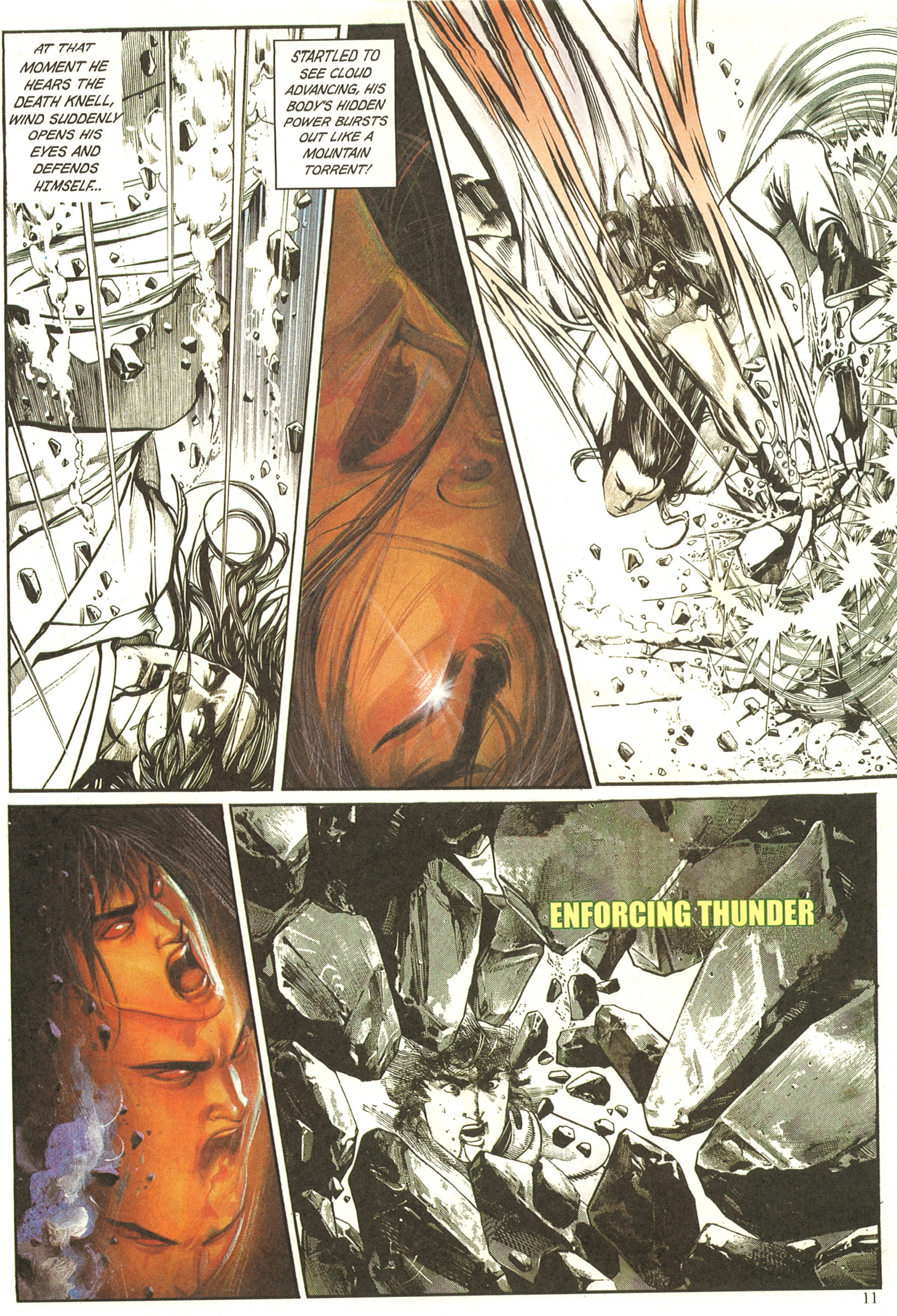

WIND!
SEEING KONG CHI'S GREAT CONCERN FOR WIND DRIVES CLOUD CRAZY CAUSING EVEN MORE PAIN AND RAGE IN HIS HEART.
REPELLING PALMS: Fourth Form
Moveable Mountain And Sea

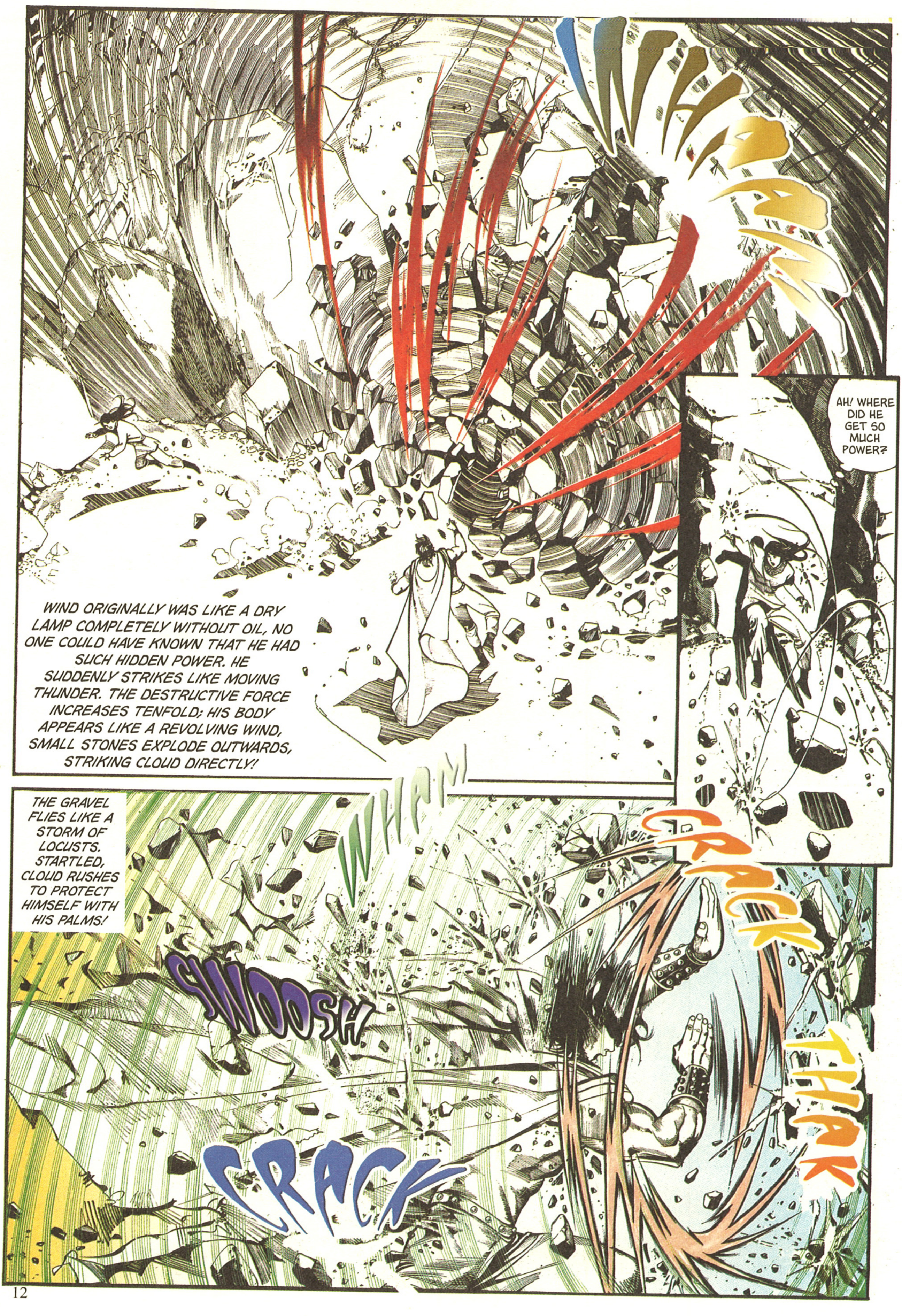

AH!
THE COMING FORCE IS FORMIDABLE LEAVING NO RETREAT FOR WIND. HE COURAGEOUSLY LAUNCHES SEVERAL KICKS!
KNOWING HIS OPPONENT'S SWIFTNESS, CLOUD SUDDENLY CHANGES DIRECTION AND MOVES BEHIND WIND?!
FHOOM
WAM
CLOUD SWITCHES STYLES AND IS ABLE TO SLIDE IN A BLURRED ATTACK. WIND NEVER SEES IT COMING

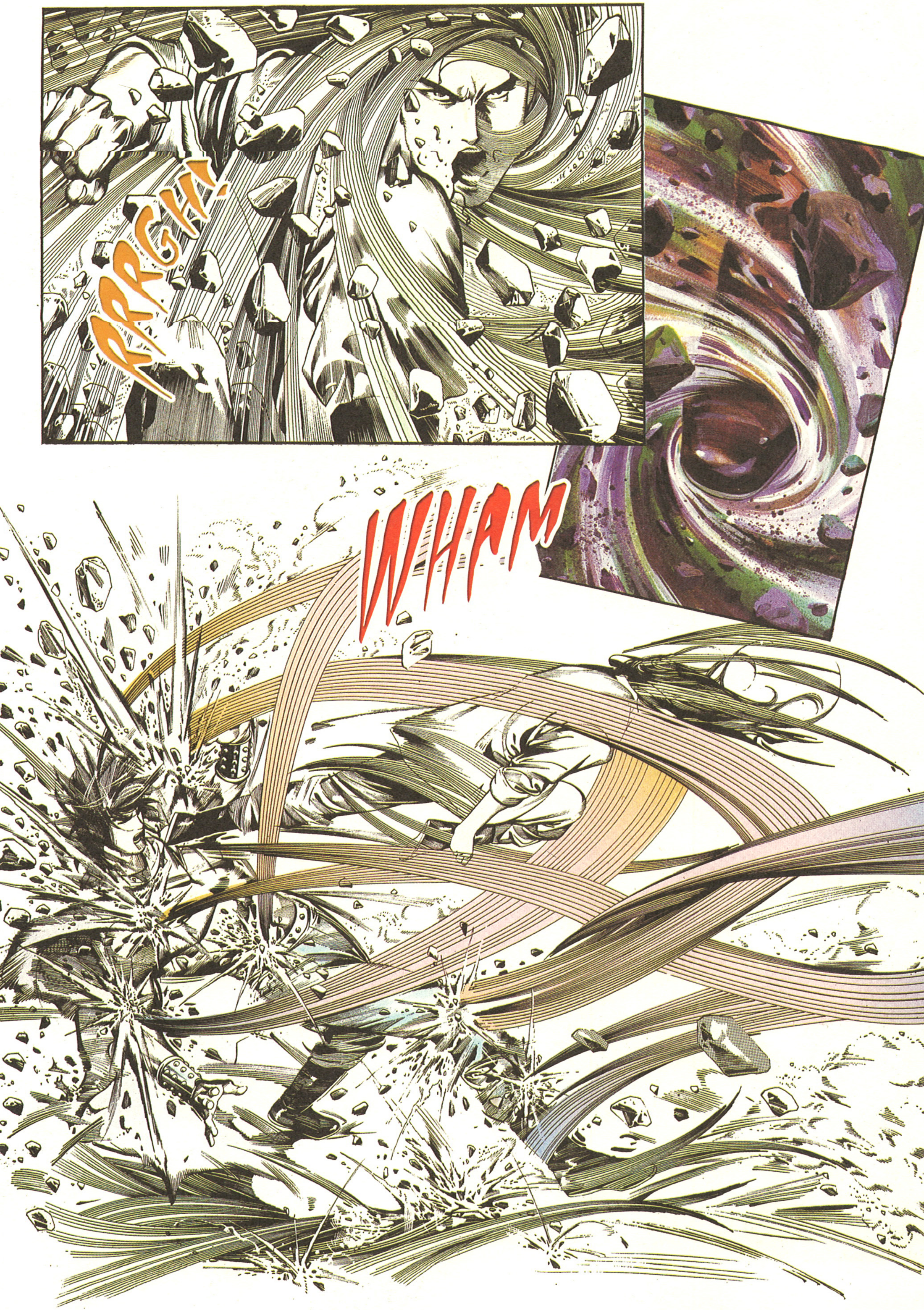

ASTONISHED AT BEING HIT FROM BEHIND, HE SUDDENLY KICKS, BUT UNFORTUNATELY STRIKES ONLY AIR!
GRR...
GRR...
GRR
WHAM
CRACK
CLOUD HAMMERS WIND CONTINUOUSLY - HIS PUNISHMENT FOR ATTEMPTING TO EXPOSE THEIR AFFAIR.
THUD
BAM
SUFFERING FROM INTERNAL INJURIES, WIND MOVES TOO SLOWLY TO AVOID THE BLOWS...
...AND WITH NO WAY TO DEFEND HIMSELF, HE IS COMPLETELY WITHIN CLOUD'S GRASP.

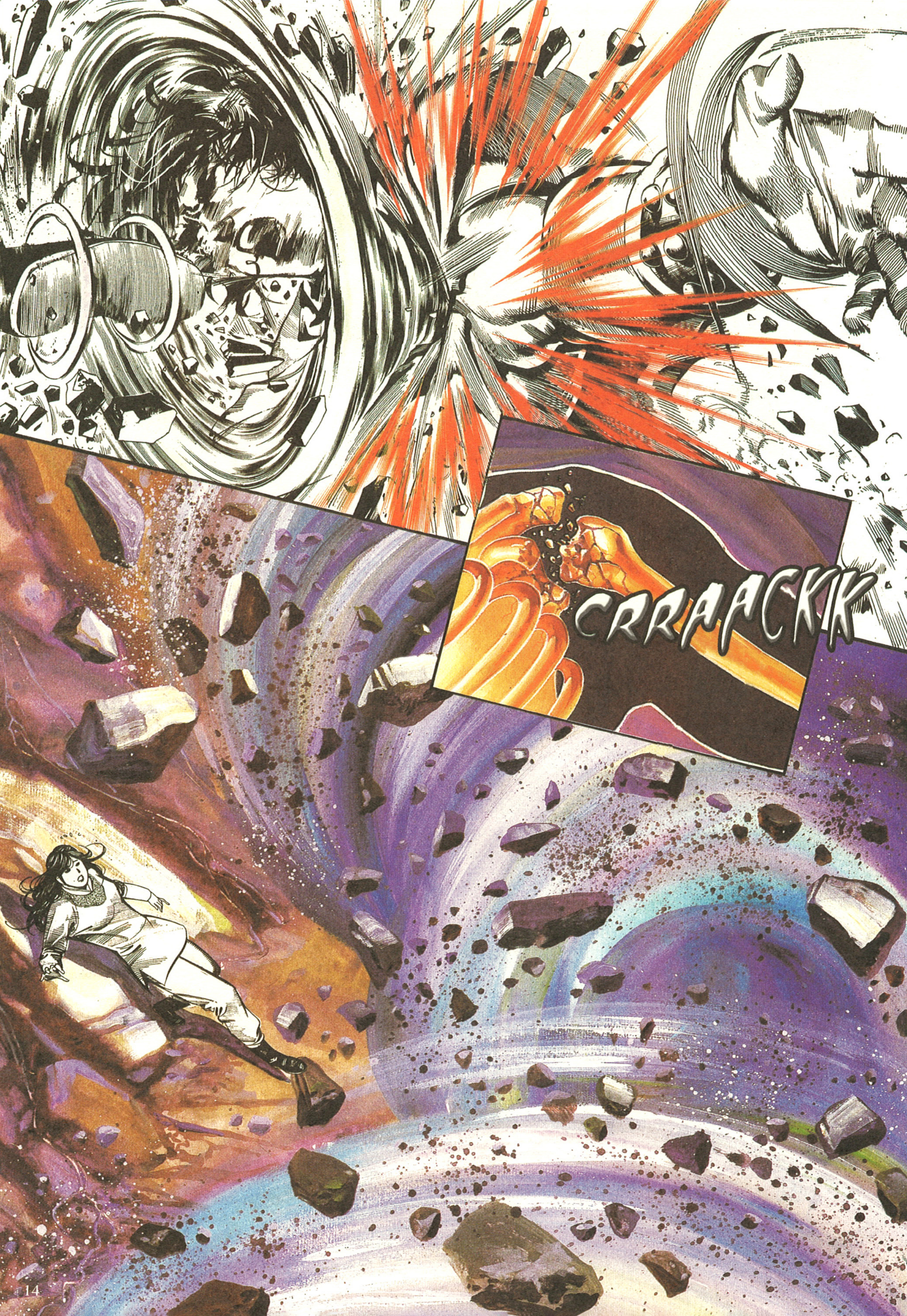

WHAM... BAM HUD...
SMASH

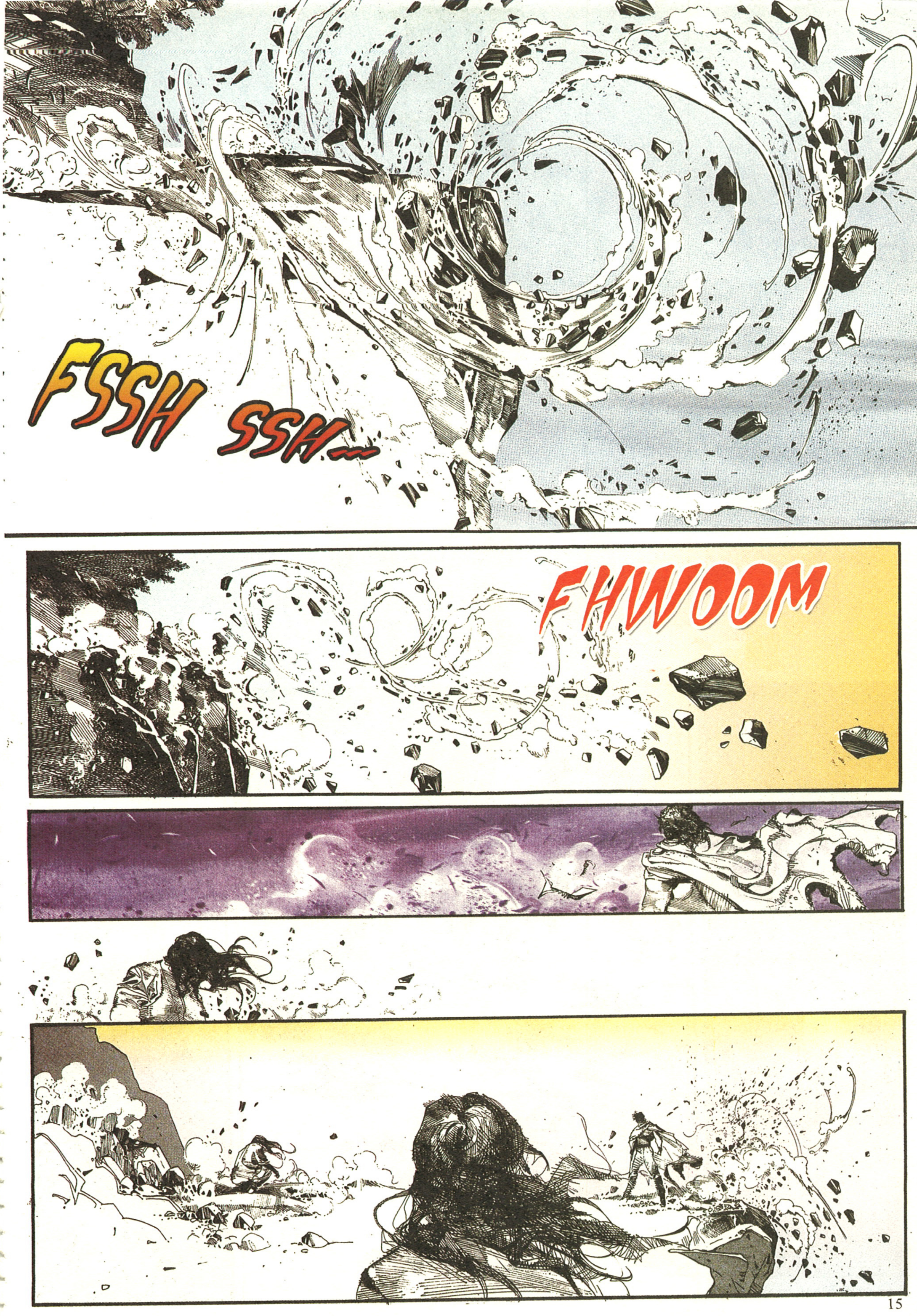

THE ONSLAUGHT IS TOO GREAT, WIND SPITS BLOOD AND LINGERS IN ONE SPOT!
DIE!

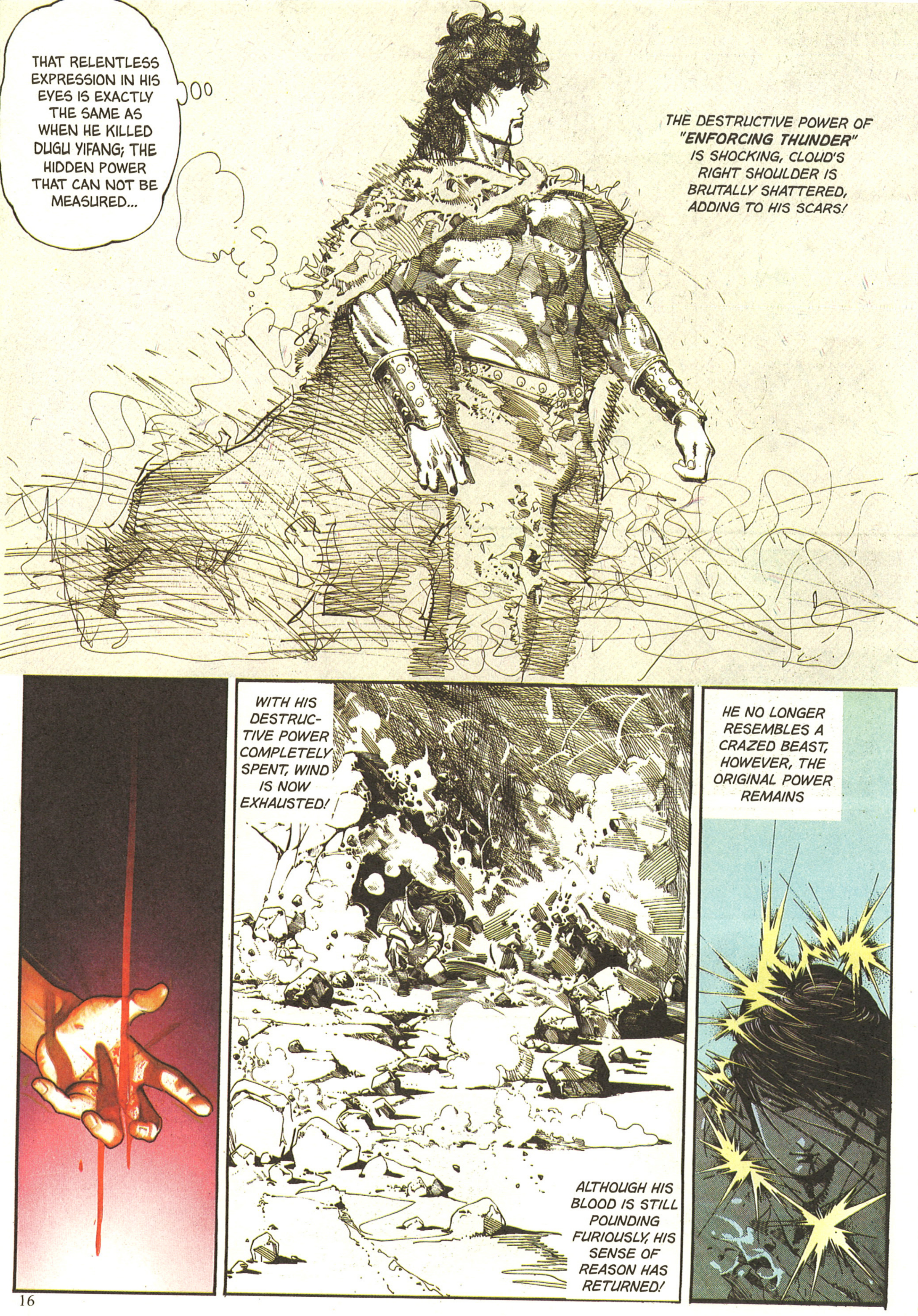

AT THAT MOMENT HE HEARS THE DEATH KNELL, WIND SUDDENLY OPENS HIS EYES AND DEFENDS HIMSELF...
STARTLED TO SEE CLOUD ADVANCING, HIS BODY'S HIDDEN POWER BURSTS OUT LIKE A MOUNTAIN TORRENT!
ENFORCING THUNDER

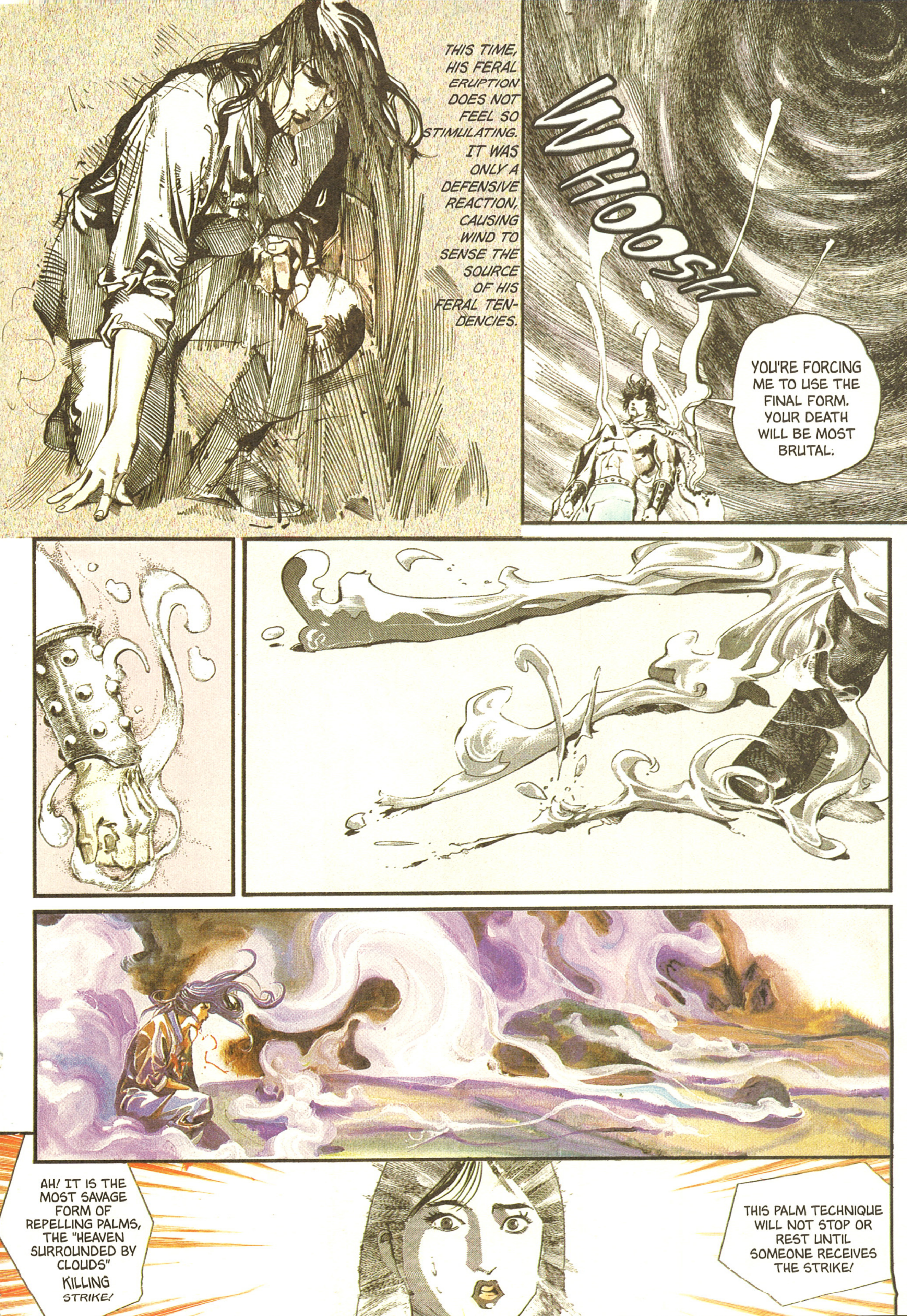

WHAAAM
WIND ORIGINALLY WAS LIKE A DRY LAMP COMPLETELY WITHOUT OIL, NO ONE COULD HAVE KNOWN THAT HE HAD SUCH HIDDEN POWER. HE SUDDENLY STRIKES LIKE MOVING THUNDER. THE DESTRUCTIVE FORCE INCREASES TENFOLD; HIS BODY APPEARS LIKE A REVOLVING WIND, SMALL STONES EXPLODE OUTWARDS, STRIKING CLOUD DIRECTLY!
AH! WHERE DID HE GET SO MUCH POWER?
WHAM
THE GRAVEL FLIES LIKE A STORM OF LOCUSTS. STARTLED, CLOUD RUSHES TO PROTECT HIMSELF WITH HIS PALMS!
CRACK
SWOOSH
THAK
CRACK

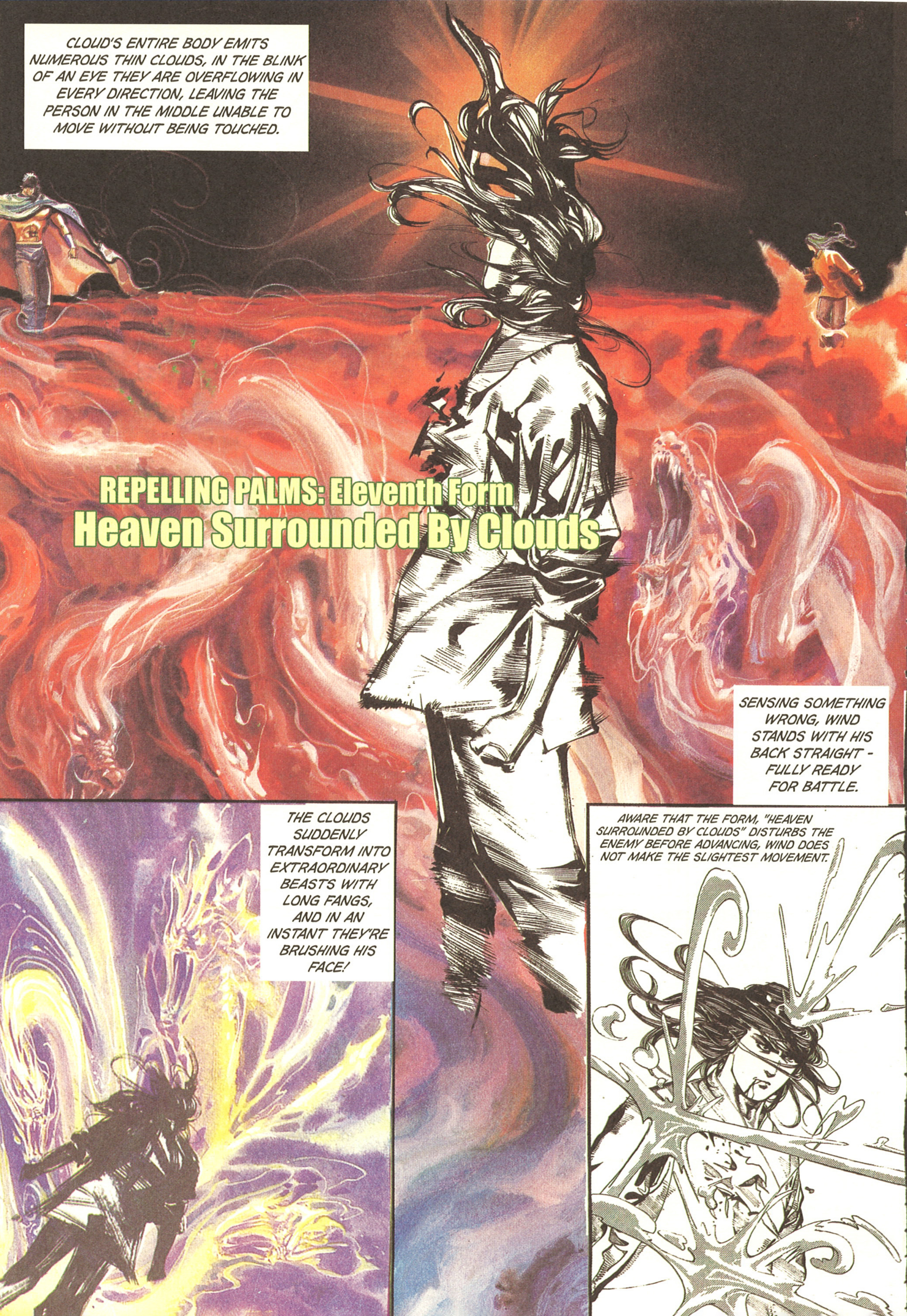

ARRGH!
WHAM

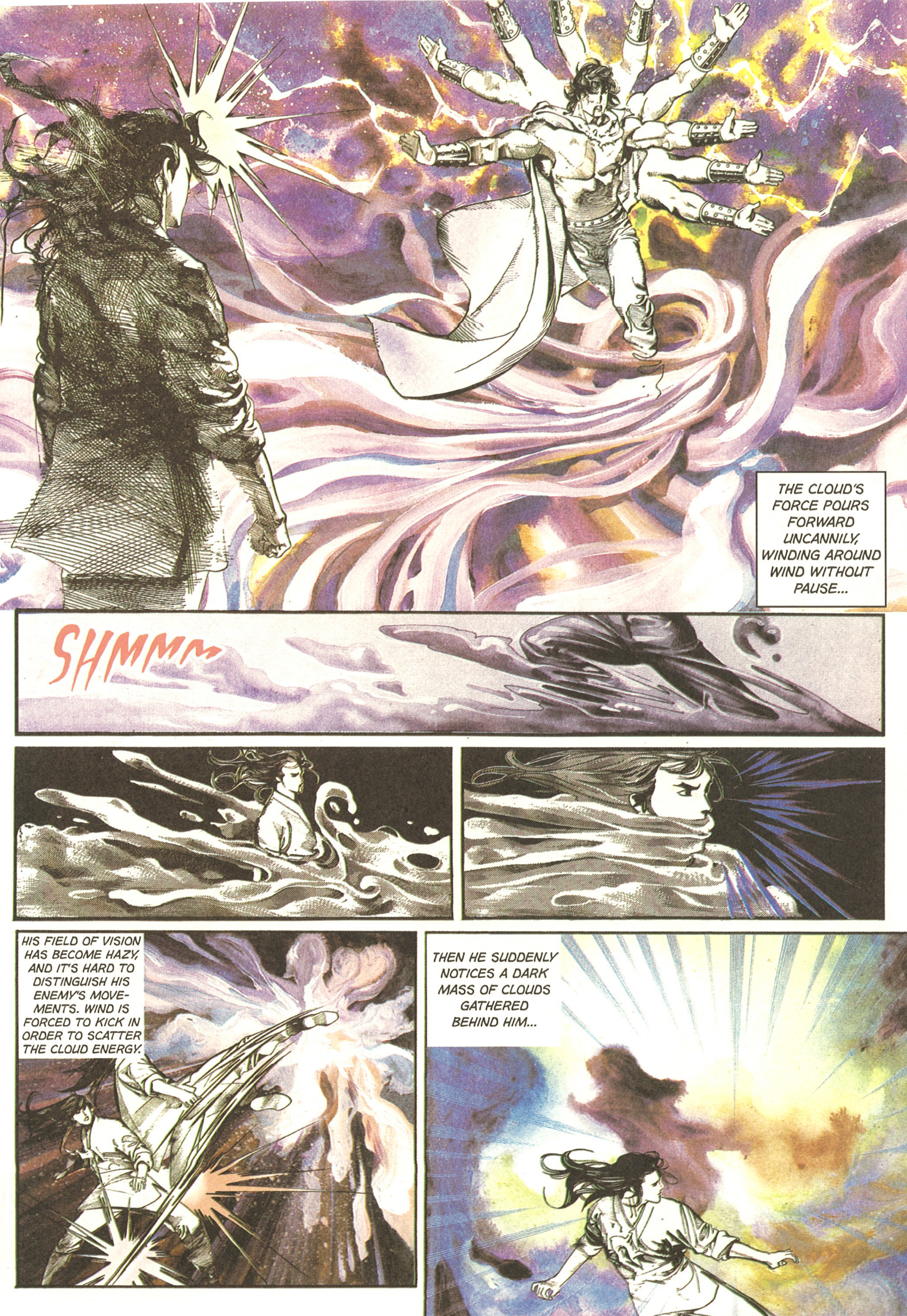

CRRAACKK

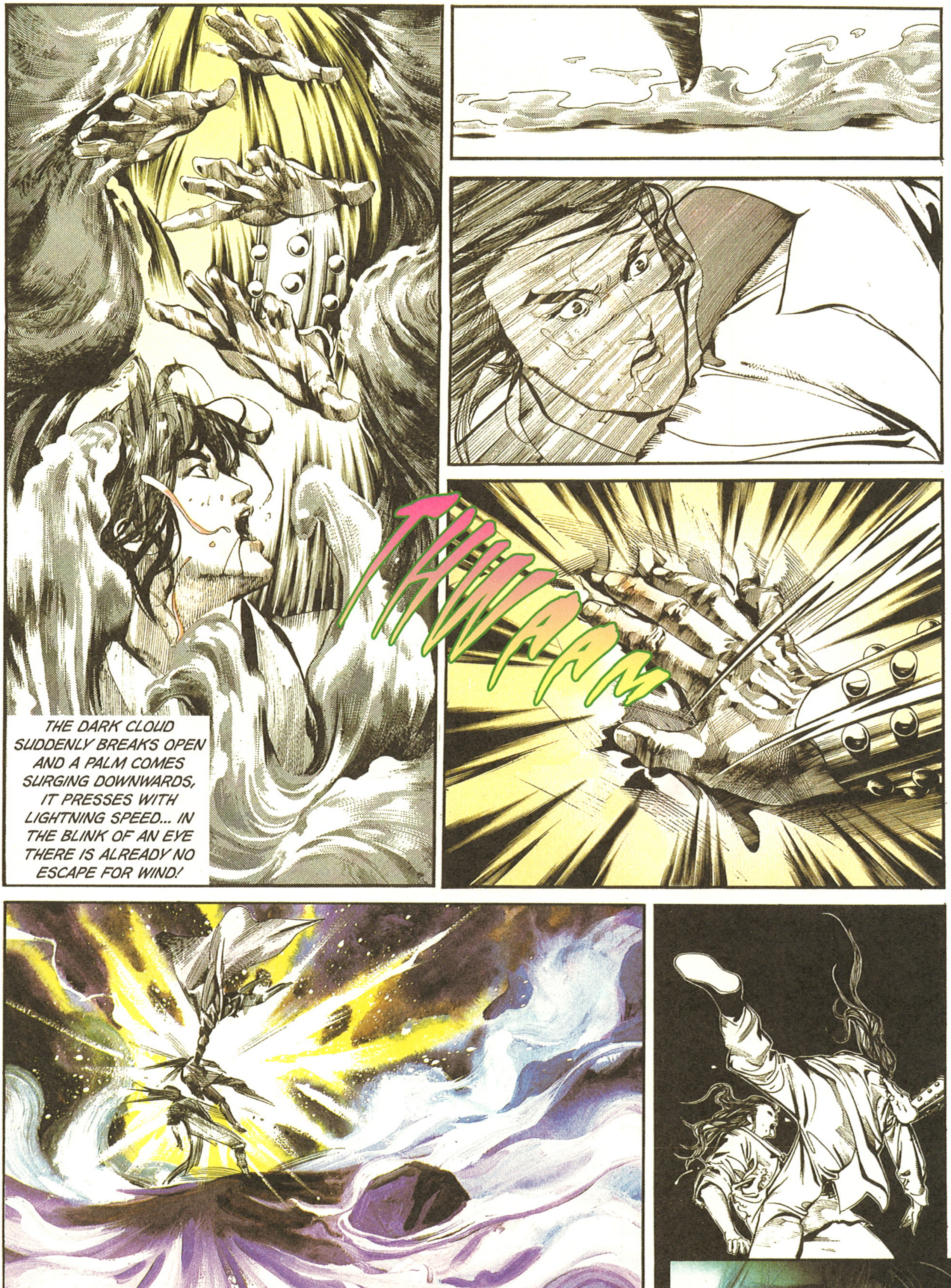

FSSH SSH...
FHWOOM

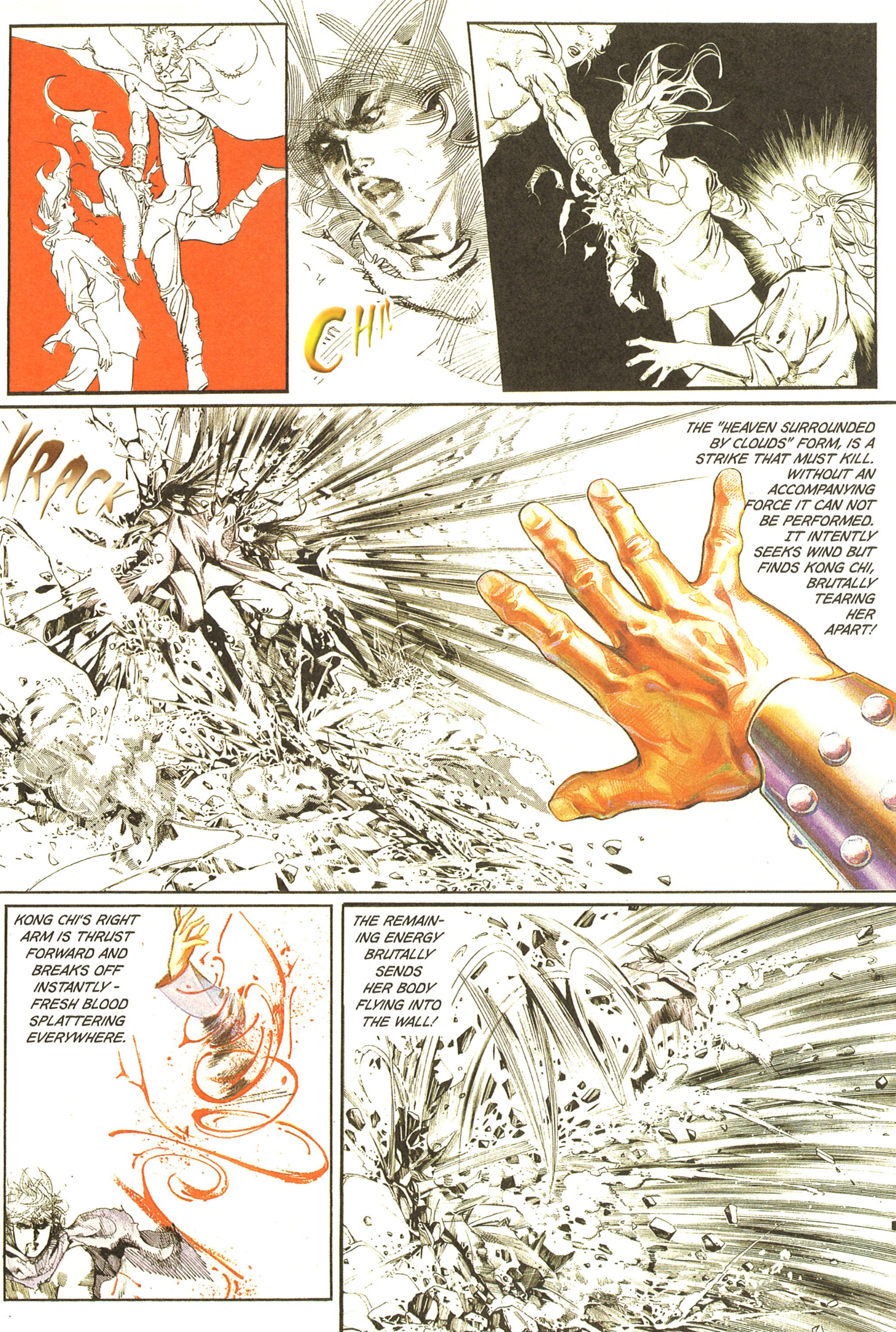

THAT RELENTLESS EXPRESSION IN HIS EYES IS EXACTLY THE SAME AS WHEN HE KILLED DUGU YIFANG; THE HIDDEN POWER THAT CAN NOT BE MEASURED...
THE DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF "ENFORCING THUNDER" IS SHOCKING, CLOUD'S RIGHT SHOULDER IS BRUTALLY SHATTERED, ADDING TO HIS SCARS!
WITH HIS DESTRUCTIVE POWER COMPLETELY SPENT, WIND IS NOW EXHAUSTED!
ALTHOUGH HIS BLOOD IS STILL POUNDING FURIOUSLY, HIS SENSE OF REASON HAS RETURNED!
HE NO LONGER RESEMBLES A CRAZED BEAST, HOWEVER, THE ORIGINAL POWER REMAINS

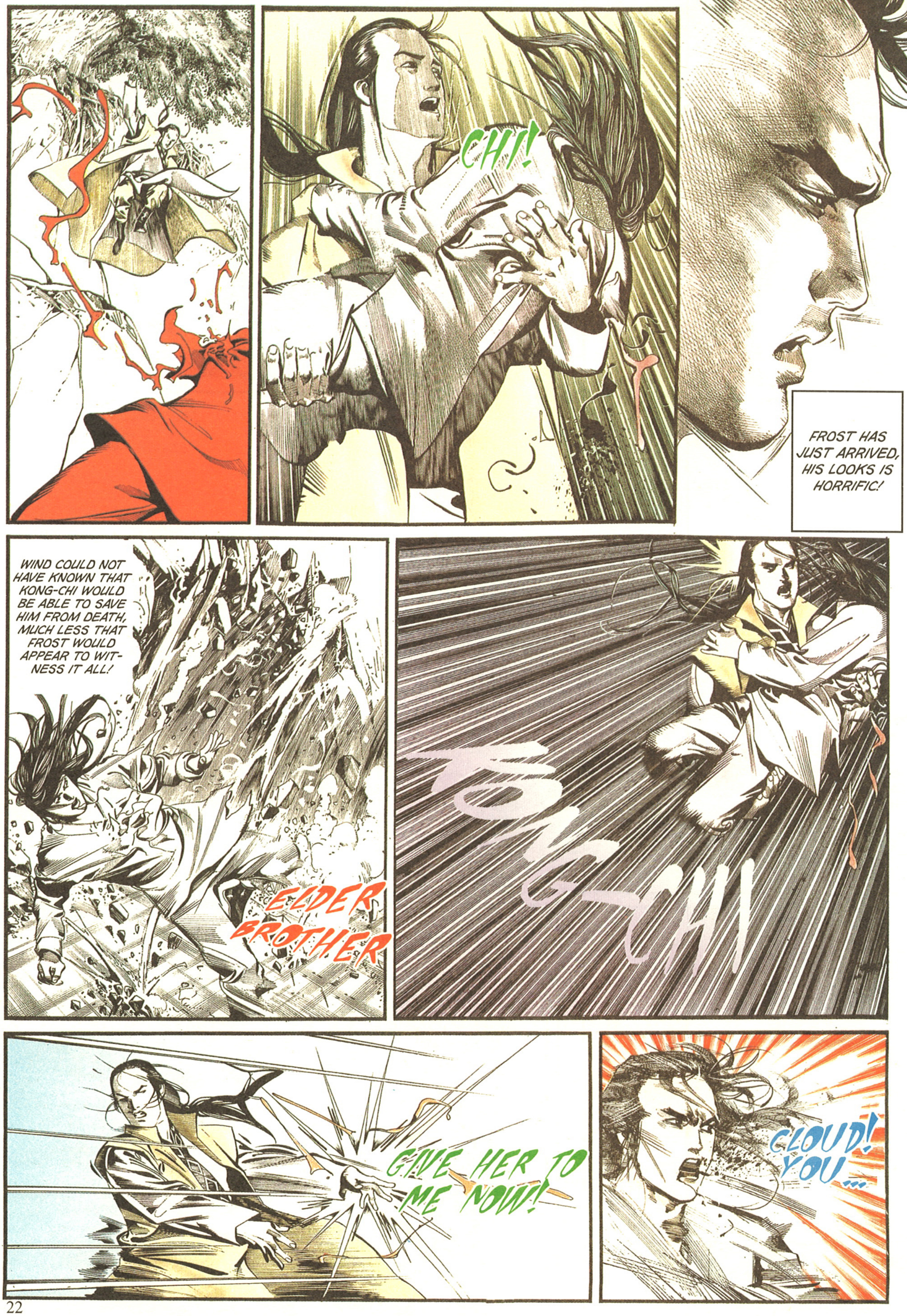

THIS TIME, HIS FERAL ERUPTION DOES NOT FEEL SO STIMULATING. IT WAS ONLY A DEFENSIVE REACTION, CAUSING WIND TO SENSE THE SOURCE OF HIS FERAL TENDENCIES.
WHOOSH
YOU'RE FORCING ME TO USE THE FINAL FORM. YOUR DEATH WILL BE MOST BRUTAL.
AH! IT IS THE MOST SAVAGE FORM OF REPELLING PALMS, THE "HEAVEN SURROUNDED BY CLOUDS" KILLING STRIKE!
THIS PALM TECHNIQUE WILL NOT STOP OR REST UNTIL SOMEONE RECEIVES THE STRIKE!

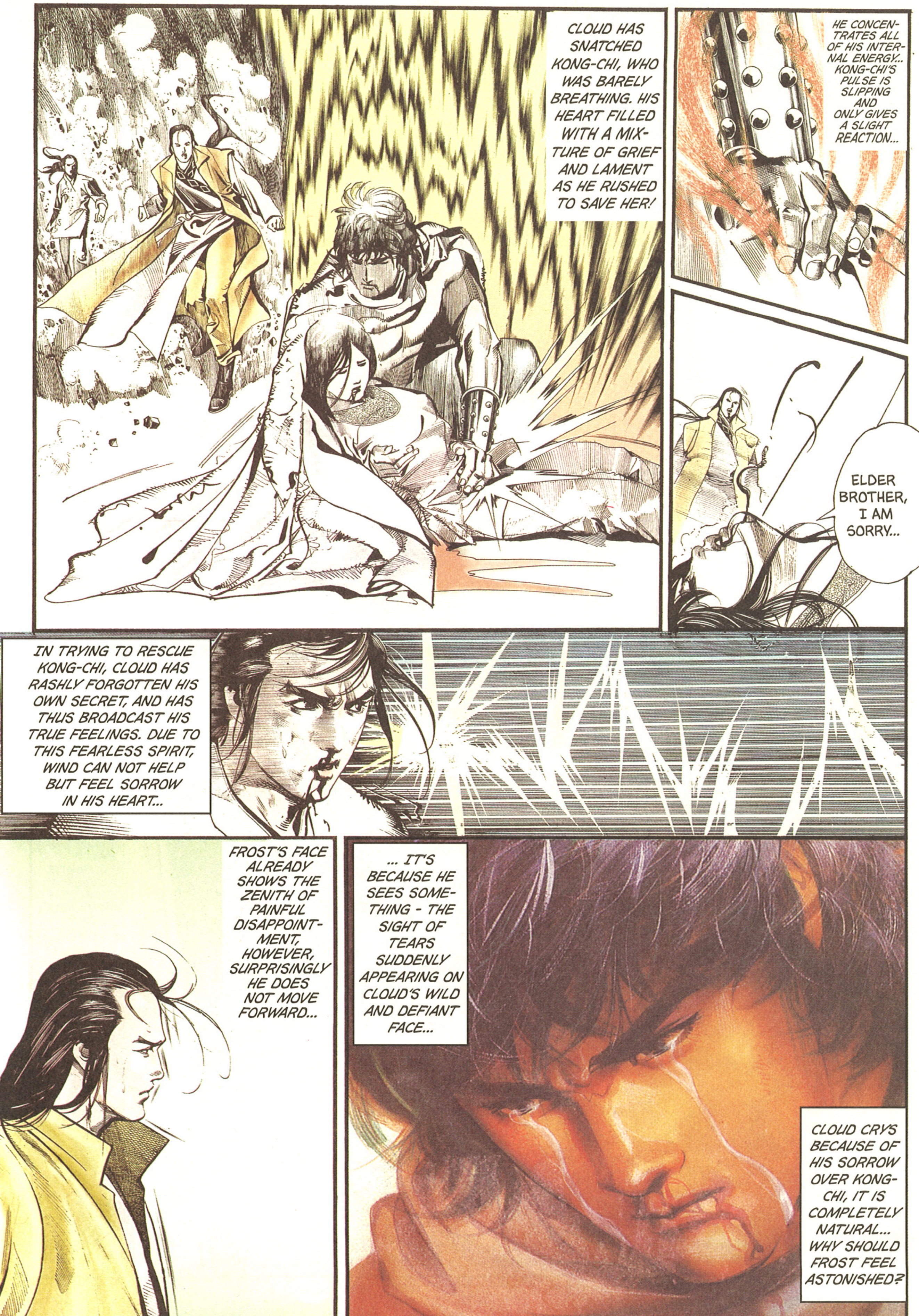

CLOUD'S ENTIRE BODY EMITS NUMEROUS THIN CLOUDS, IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE THEY ARE OVERFLOWING IN EVERY DIRECTION, LEAVING THE PERSON IN THE MIDDLE UNABLE TO MOVE WITHOUT BEING TOUCHED.
REPELLING PALMS: Eleventh Form
Heaven Surrounded By Clouds
SENSING SOMETHING WRONG, WIND STANDS WITH HIS BACK STRAIGHT - FULLY READY FOR BATTLE.
THE CLOUDS SUDDENLY TRANSFORM INTO EXTRAORDINARY BEASTS WITH LONG FANGS, AND IN AN INSTANT THEY'RE BRUSHING HIS FACE!
AWARE THAT THE FORM, "HEAVEN SURROUNDED BY CLOUDS" DISTURBS THE ENEMY BEFORE ADVANCING, WIND DOES NOT MAKE THE SLIGHTEST MOVEMENT.

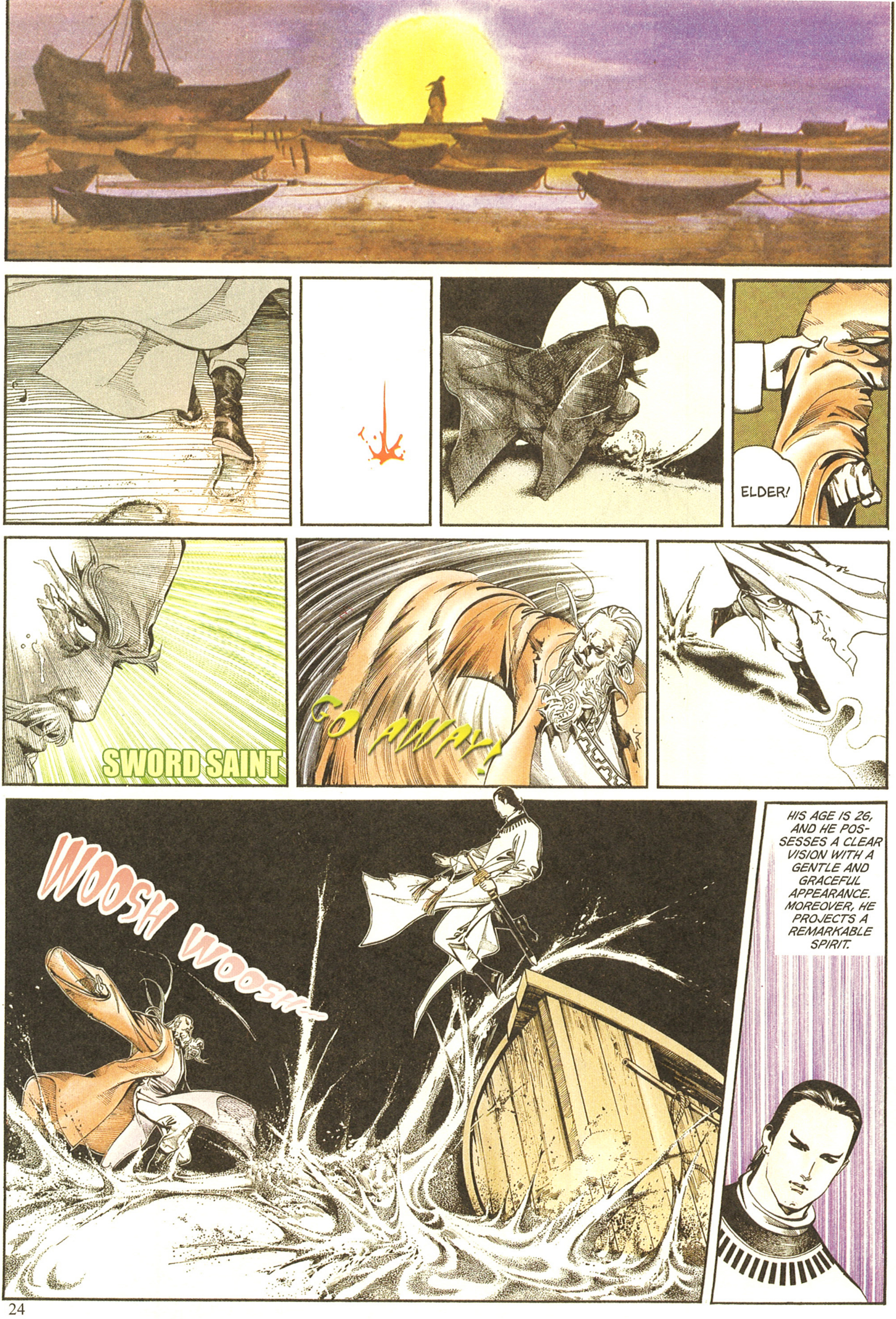

THE CLOUD'S FORCE POURS FORWARD UNCANNILY, WINDING AROUND WIND WITHOUT PAUSE...
SHMMM
HIS FIELD OF VISION HAS BECOME HAZY, AND IT'S HARD TO DISTINGUISH HIS ENEMY'S MOVEMENTS. WIND IS FORCED TO KICK IN ORDER TO SCATTER THE CLOUD ENERGY.
THEN HE SUDDENLY NOTICES A DARK MASS OF CLOUDS GATHERED BEHIND HIM...

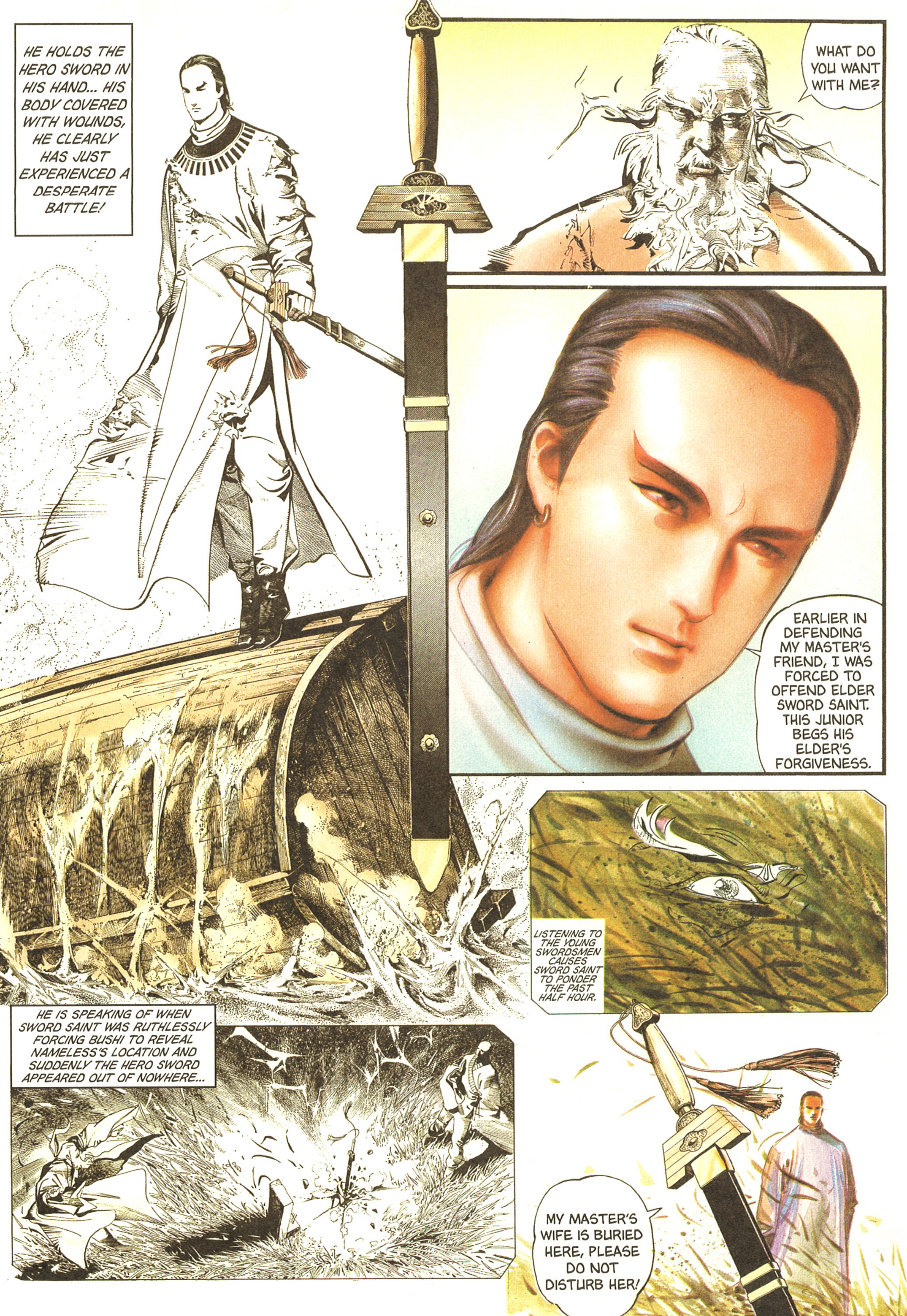

THE DARK CLOUD SUDDENLY BREAKS OPEN AND A PALM COMES SURGING DOWNWARDS, IT PRESSES WITH LIGHTNING SPEED... IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE THERE IS ALREADY NO ESCAPE FOR WIND!
THWAAM

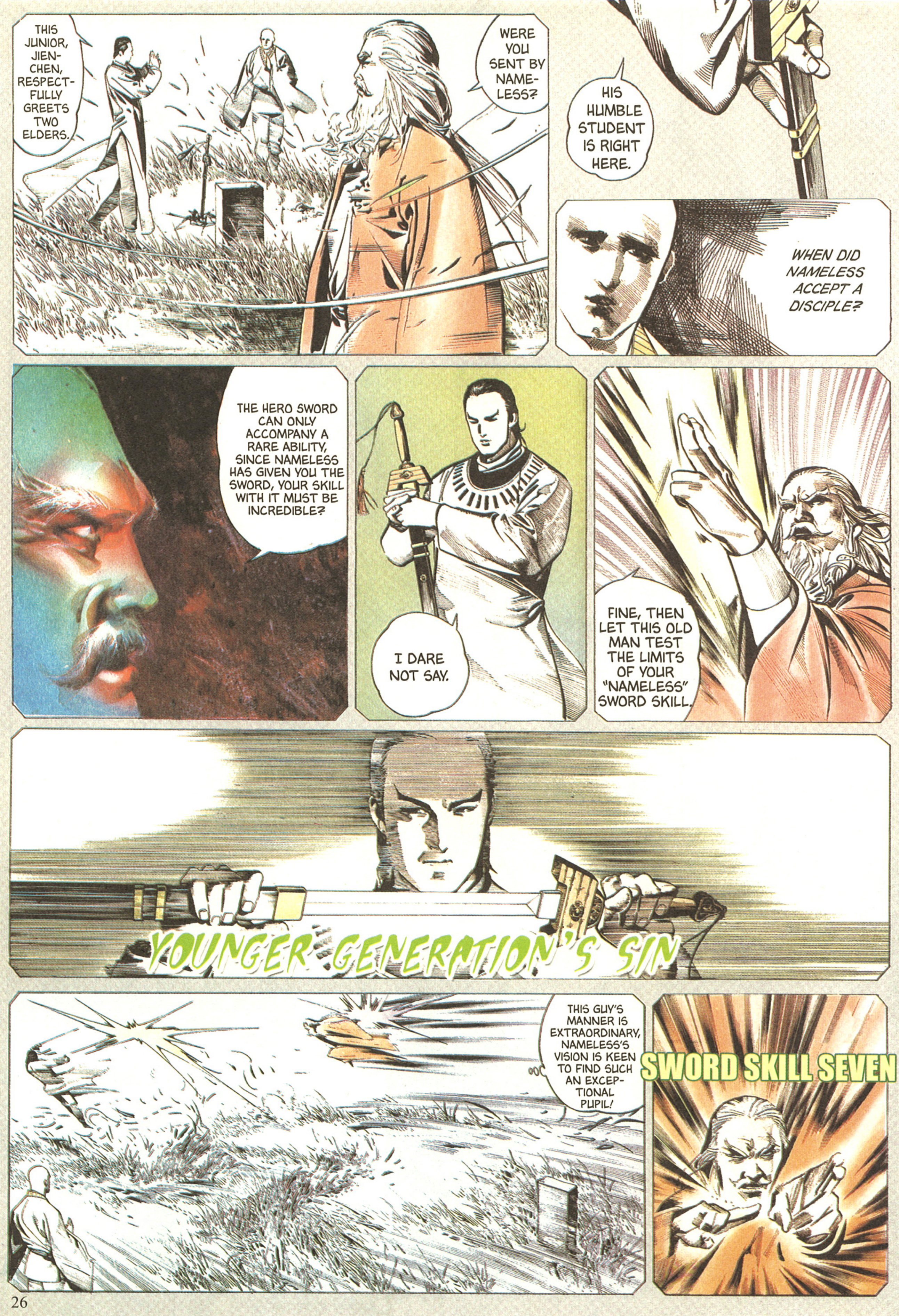

CHI!
KRACK
THE "HEAVEN SURROUNDED BY CLOUDS" FORM, IS A STRIKE THAT MUST KILL. WITHOUT AN ACCOMPANYING FORCE IT CAN NOT BE PERFORMED. IT INTENTLY SEEKS WIND BUT FINDS KONG CHI, BRUTALLY TEARING HER APART!
KONG CHI'S RIGHT ARM IS THRUST FORWARD AND BREAKS OFF INSTANTLY - FRESH BLOOD SPLATTERING EVERYWHERE.
THE REMAINING ENERGY BRUTALLY SENDS HER BODY FLYING INTO THE WALL!

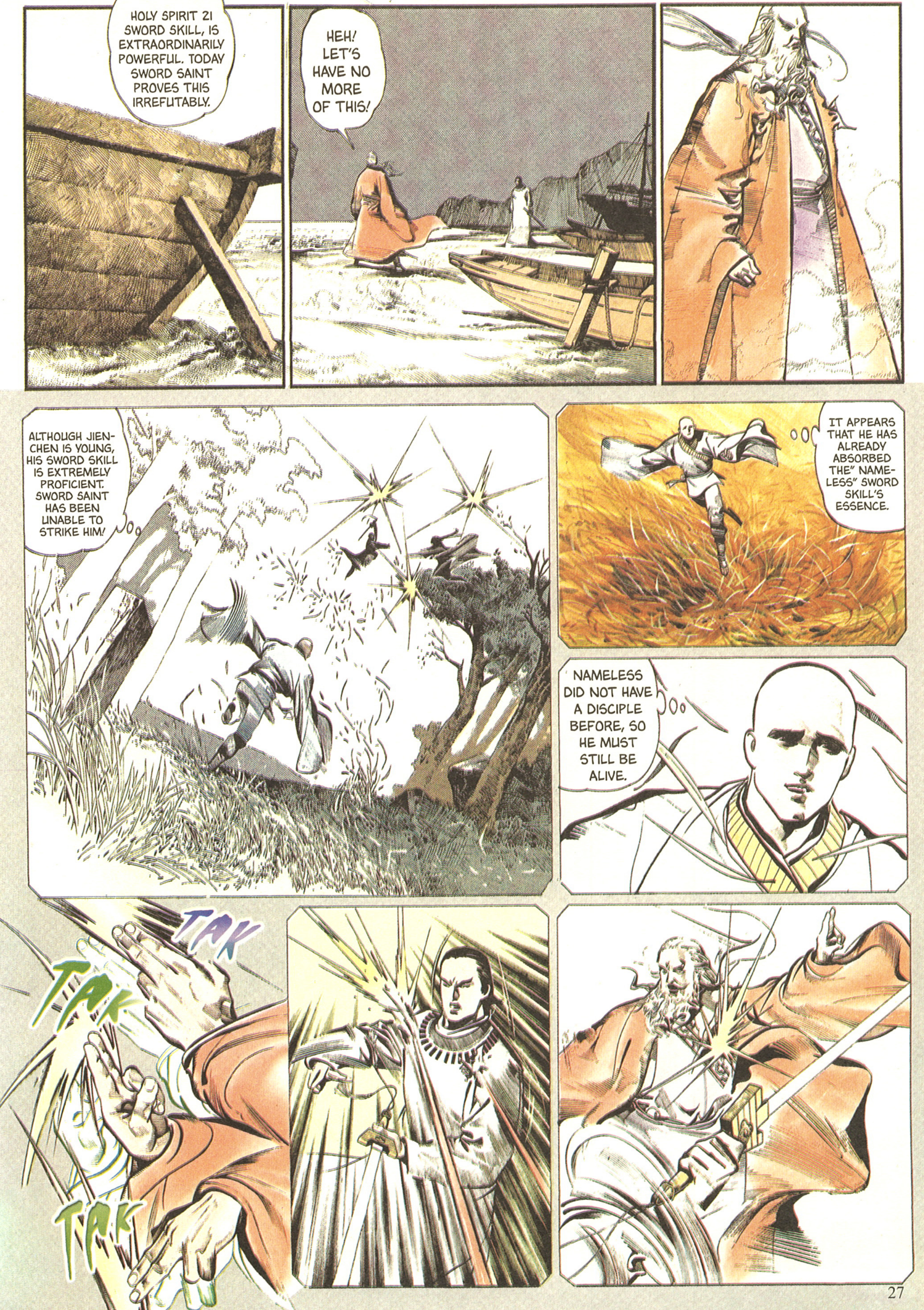

CHI!
FROST HAS JUST ARRIVED, HIS LOOKS IS HORRIFIC!
WIND COULD NOT HAVE KNOWN THAT KONG-CHI WOULD BE ABLE TO SAVE HIM FROM DEATH, MUCH LESS THAT FROST WOULD APPEAR TO WITNESS IT ALL!
ELDER BROTHER
KONG-CHI
GIVE HER TO ME NOW!
CLOUD! YOU...

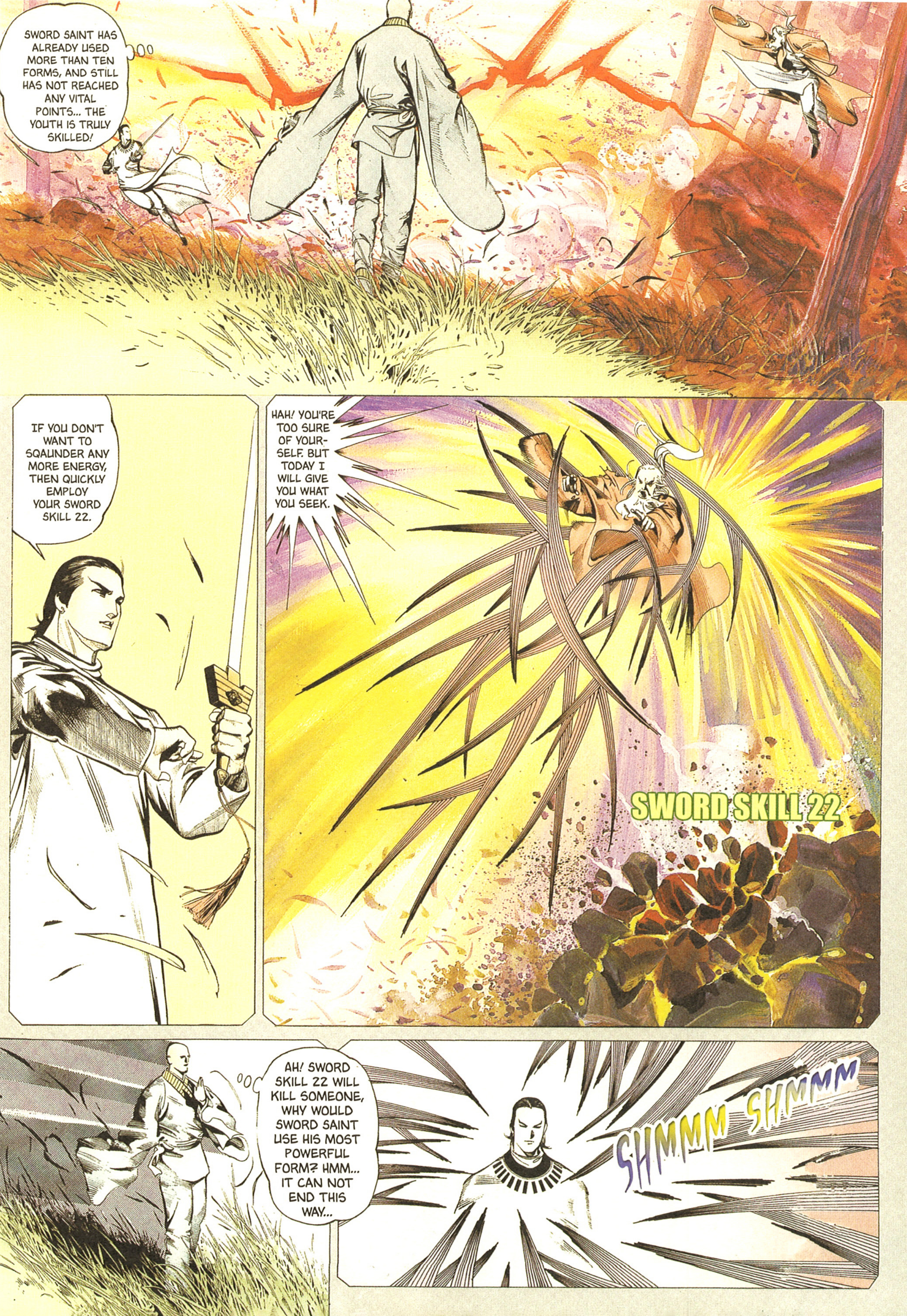

CLOUD HAS SNATCHED KONG-CHI, WHO WAS BARELY BREATHING. HIS HEART FILLED WITH A MIXTURE OF GRIEF AND LAMENT AS HE RUSHED TO SAVE HER!
HE CONCENTRATES ALL OF HIS INTERNAL ENERGY... KONG-CHI'S PULSE IS SLIPPING AND ONLY GIVES A SLIGHT REACTION...
ELDER BROTHER, I AM SORRY...
IN TRYING TO RESCUE KONG-CHI, CLOUD HAS RASHLY FORGOTTEN HIS OWN SECRET, AND HAS THUS BROADCAST HIS TRUE FEELINGS. DUE TO THIS FEARLESS SPIRIT, WIND CAN NOT HELP BUT FEEL SORROW IN HIS HEART...
FROST'S FACE ALREADY SHOWS THE ZENITH OF PAINFUL DISAPPOINTMENT, HOWEVER, SURPRISINGLY HE DOES NOT MOVE FORWARD...
... IT'S BECAUSE HE SEES SOMETHING - THE SIGHT OF TEARS SUDDENLY APPEARING ON CLOUD'S WILD AND DEFIANT FACE...
CLOUD CRYS BECAUSE OF HIS SORROW OVER KONG-CHI, IT IS COMPLETELY NATURAL... WHY SHOULD FROST FEEL ASTONISHED?

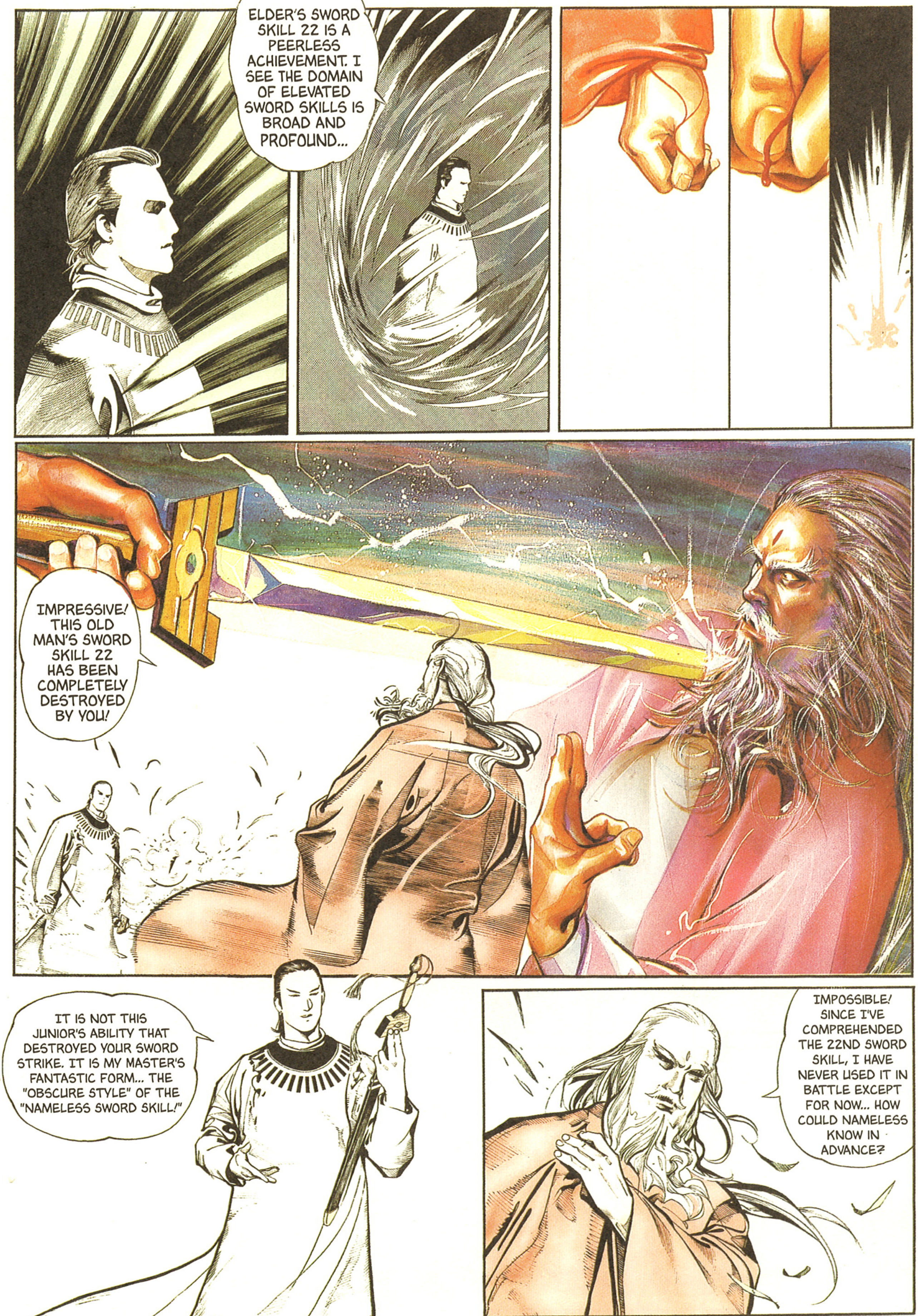

ELDER!
SWORD SAINT
GO AWAY!
WOOSH WOOSH
HIS AGE IS 26, AND HE POSSESSES A CLEAR VISION WITH A GENTLE AND GRACEFUL APPEARANCE. MOREOVER, HE PROJECTS A REMARKABLE SPIRIT.

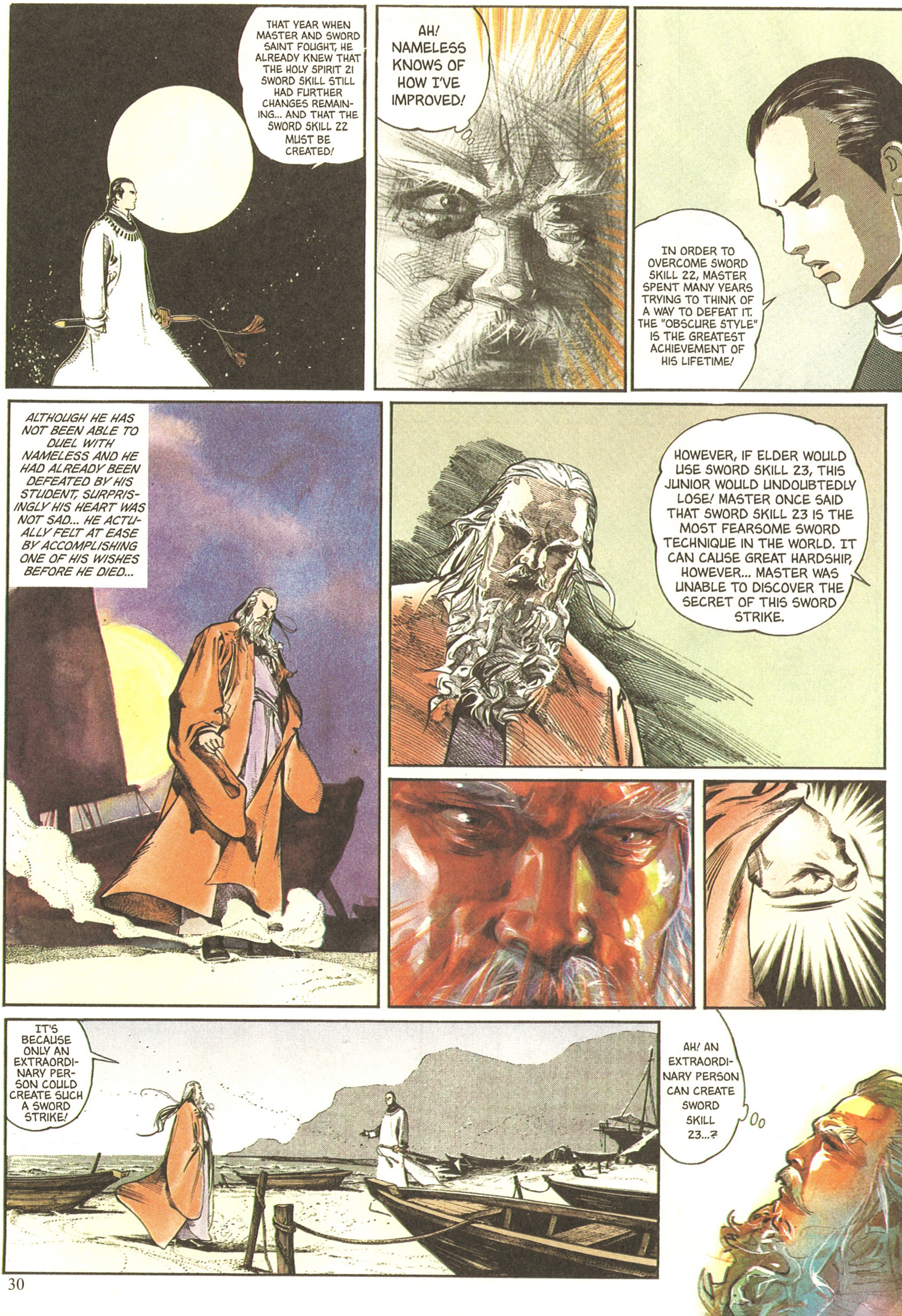

HE HOLDS THE HERO SWORD IN HIS HAND... HIS BODY COVERED WITH WOUNDS, HE CLEARLY HAS JUST EXPERIENCED A DESPERATE BATTLE!
WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH ME?
EARLIER IN DEFENDING MY MASTER'S FRIEND, I WAS FORCED TO OFFEND ELDER SWORD SAINT. THIS JUNIOR BEGS HIS ELDER'S FORGIVENESS.
LISTENING TO THE YOUNG SWORDSMEN CAUSES SWORD SAINT TO PONDER THE PAST HALF HOUR.
HE IS SPEAKING OF WHEN SWORD SAINT WAS RUTHLESSLY FORCING BUSHI TO REVEAL NAMELESS'S LOCATION AND SUDDENLY THE HERO SWORD APPEARED OUT OF NOWHERE...
MY MASTER'S WIFE IS BURIED HERE, PLEASE DO NOT DISTURB HER!

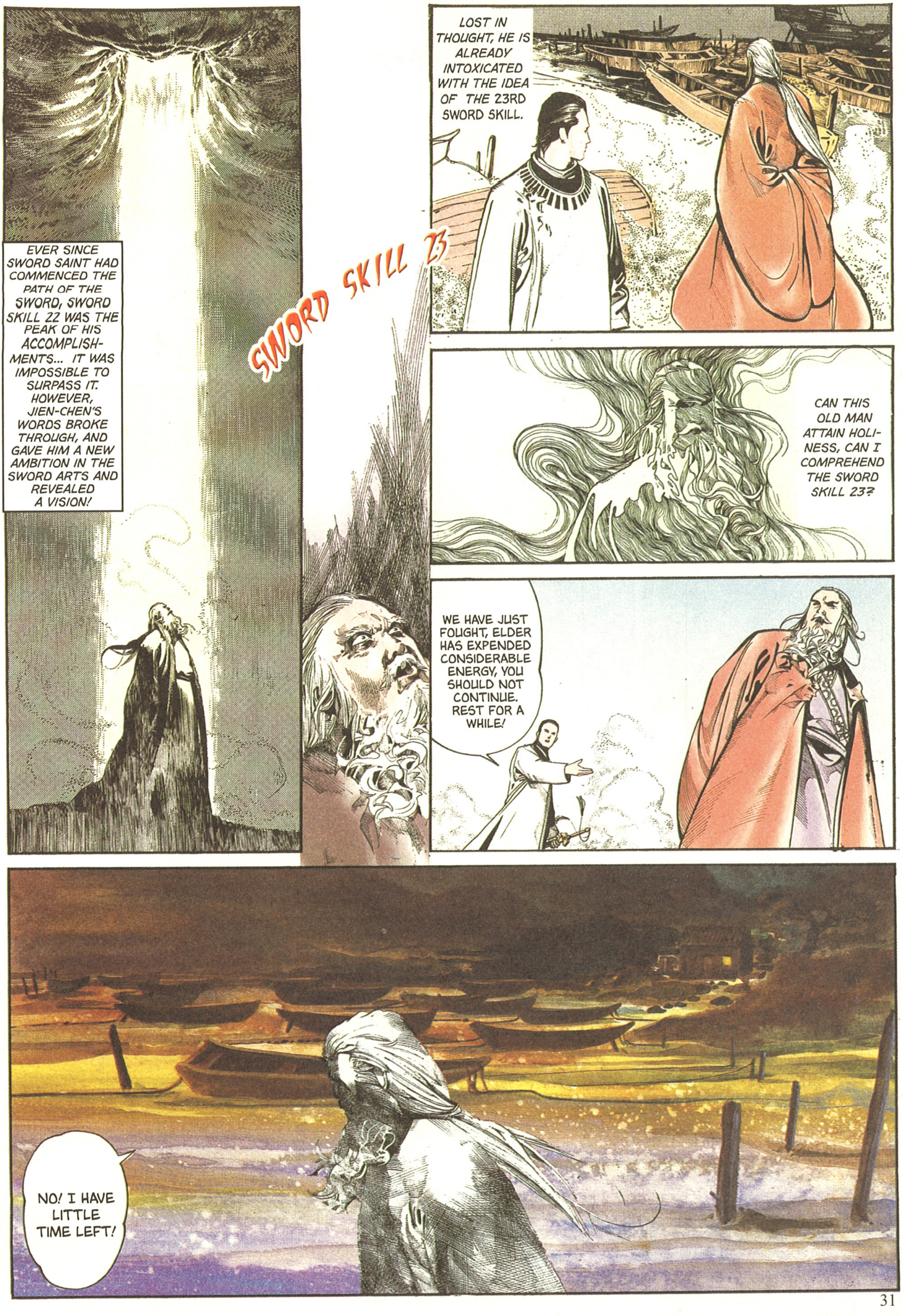

THIS JUNIOR, JIEN-CHEN, RESPECTFULLY GREETS TWO ELDERS.
WERE YOU SENT BY NAMELESS?
HIS HUMBLE STUDENT IS RIGHT HERE.
WHEN DID NAMELESS ACCEPT A DISCIPLE?
THE HERO SWORD CAN ONLY ACCOMPANY A RARE ABILITY, SINCE NAMELESS HAS GIVEN YOU THE SWORD, YOUR SKILL WITH IT MUST BE INCREDIBLE?
I DARE NOT SAY.
FINE, THEN LET THIS OLD MAN TEST THE LIMITS OF YOUR "NAMELESS" SWORD SKILL.
YOUNGER GENERATION'S SIN
THIS GUY'S MANNER IS EXTRAORDINARY, NAMELESS'S VISION IS KEEN TO FIND SUCH AN EXCEPTIONAL PUPIL!
SWORD SKILL SEVEN

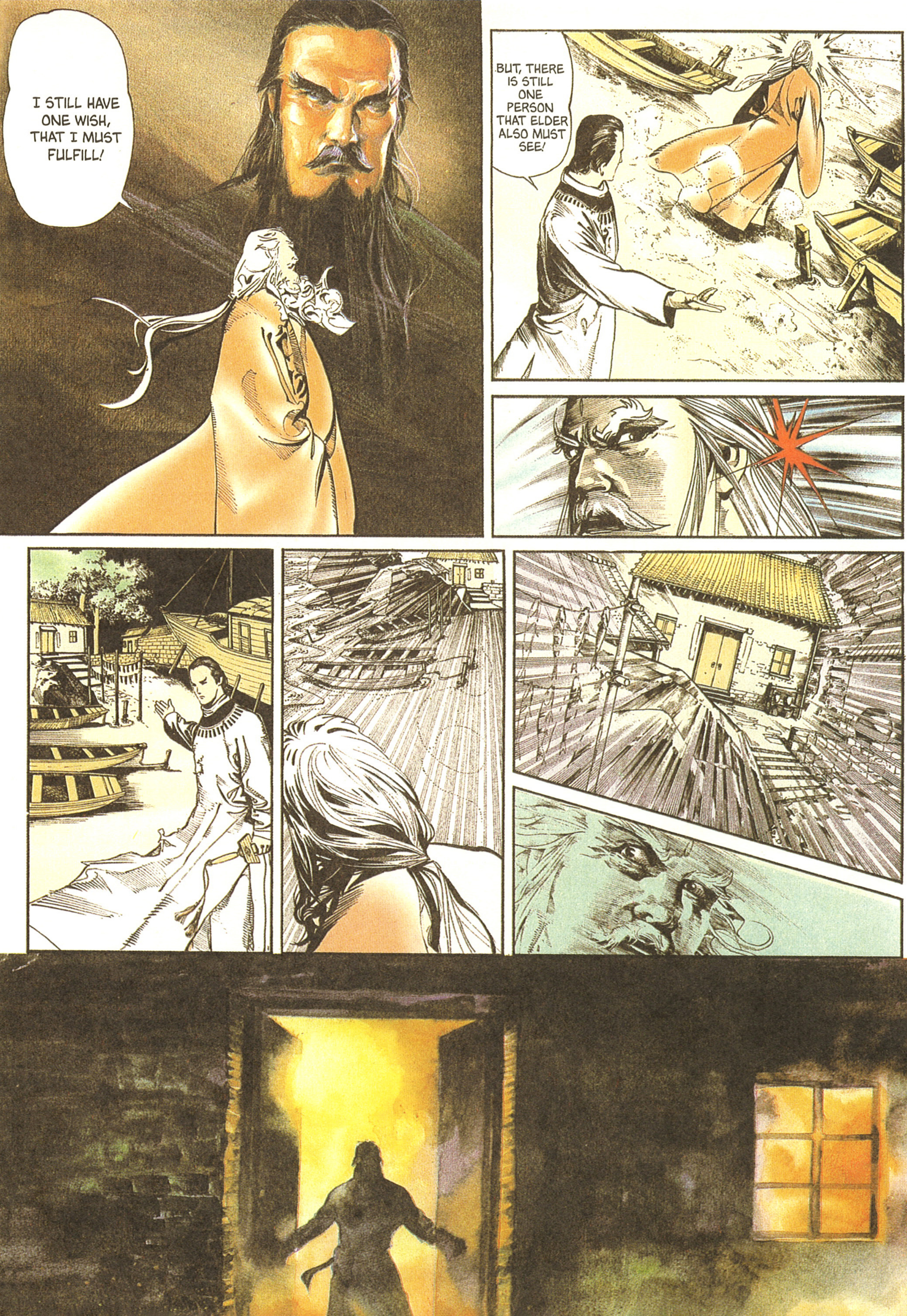

HOLY SPIRIT 21 SWORD SKILL, IS EXTRAORDINARILY POWERFUL. TODAY SWORD SAINT PROVES THIS IRREFUTABLY.
HEH! LET'S HAVE NO MORE OF THIS!
ALTHOUGH JIEN-CHEN IS YOUNG, HIS SWORD SKILL IS EXTREMELY PROFICIENT. SWORD SAINT HAS BEEN UNABLE TO STRIKE HIM!
IT APPEARS THAT HE HAS ALREADY ABSORBED THE" NAMELESS" SWORD SKILL'S ESSENCE.
NAMELESS DID NOT HAVE A DISCIPLE BEFORE, SO HE MUST STILL BE ALIVE.
TAK
TAK
TAK


SWORD SAINT HAS ALREADY USED MORE THAN TEN FORMS, AND STILL HAS NOT REACHED ANY VITAL POINTS... THE YOUTH IS TRULY SKILLED!
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO SQAUNDER ANY MORE ENERGY, THEN QUICKLY EMPLOY YOUR SWORD SKILL 22.
HAH! YOU'RE TOO SURE OF YOURSELF. BUT TODAY I WILL GIVE YOU WHAT YOU SEEK.
SWORD SKILL 22
AH! SWORD SKILL 22 WILL KILL SOMEONE, WHY WOULD SWORD SAINT USE HIS MOST POWERFUL FORM? HMM... IT CAN NOT END THIS WAY...
SHMMM SHMMM

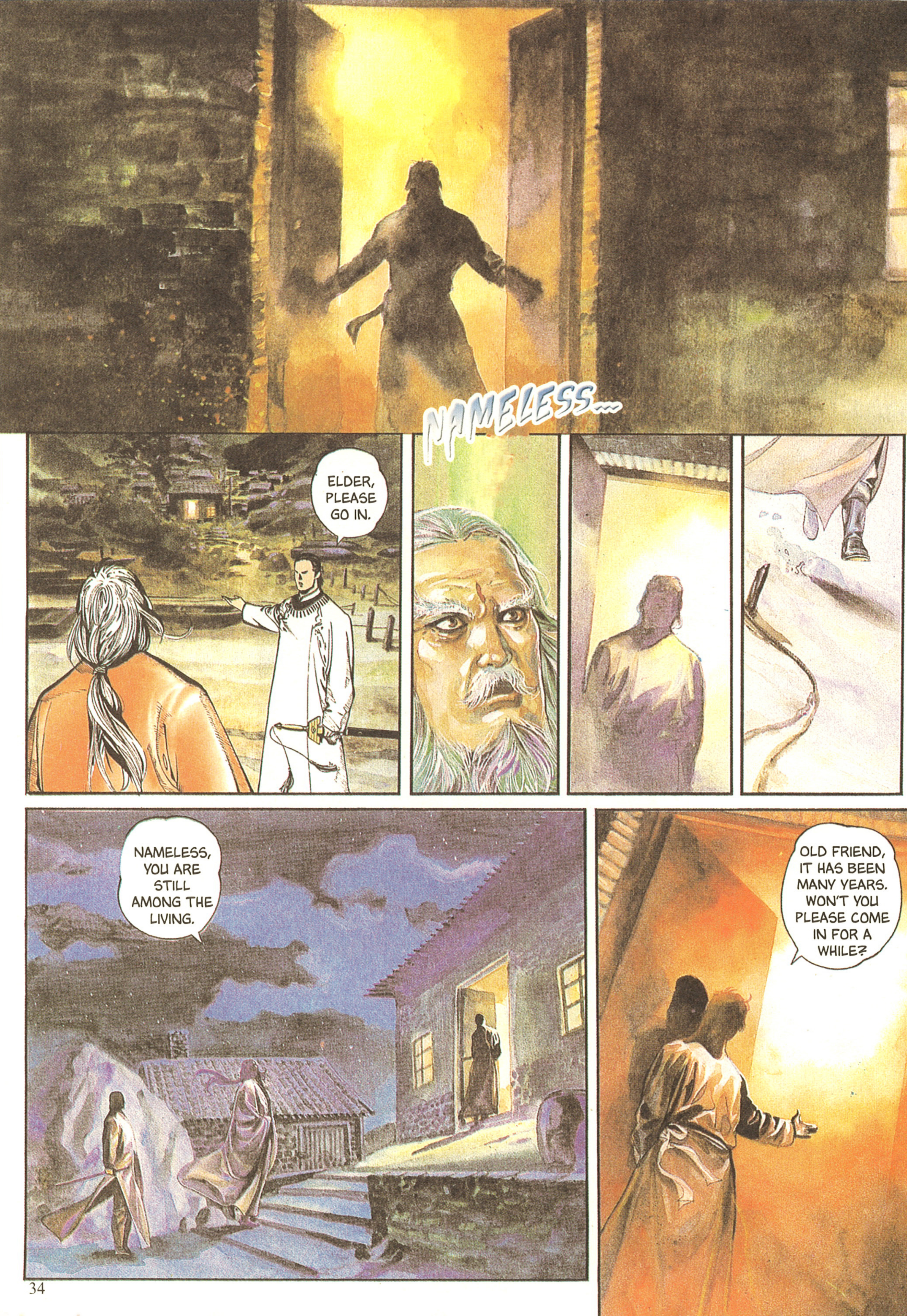

ELDER'S SWORD SKILL 22 IS A PEERLESS ACHIEVEMENT. I SEE THE DOMAIN OF ELEVATED SWORD SKILLS IS BROAD AND PROFOUND...
IMPRESSIVE! THIS OLD MAN'S SWORD SKILL 22 HAS BEEN COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY YOU!
IT IS NOT THIS JUNIOR'S ABILITY THAT DESTROYED YOUR SWORD STRIKE. IT IS MY MASTER'S FANTASTIC FORM... THE "OBSCURE STYLE" OF THE "NAMELESS SWORD SKILL!"
IMPOSSIBLE! SINCE I'VE COMPREHENDED THE 22ND SWORD SKILL, I HAVE NEVER USED IT IN BATTLE EXCEPT FOR NOW... HOW COULD NAMELESS KNOW IN ADVANCE?

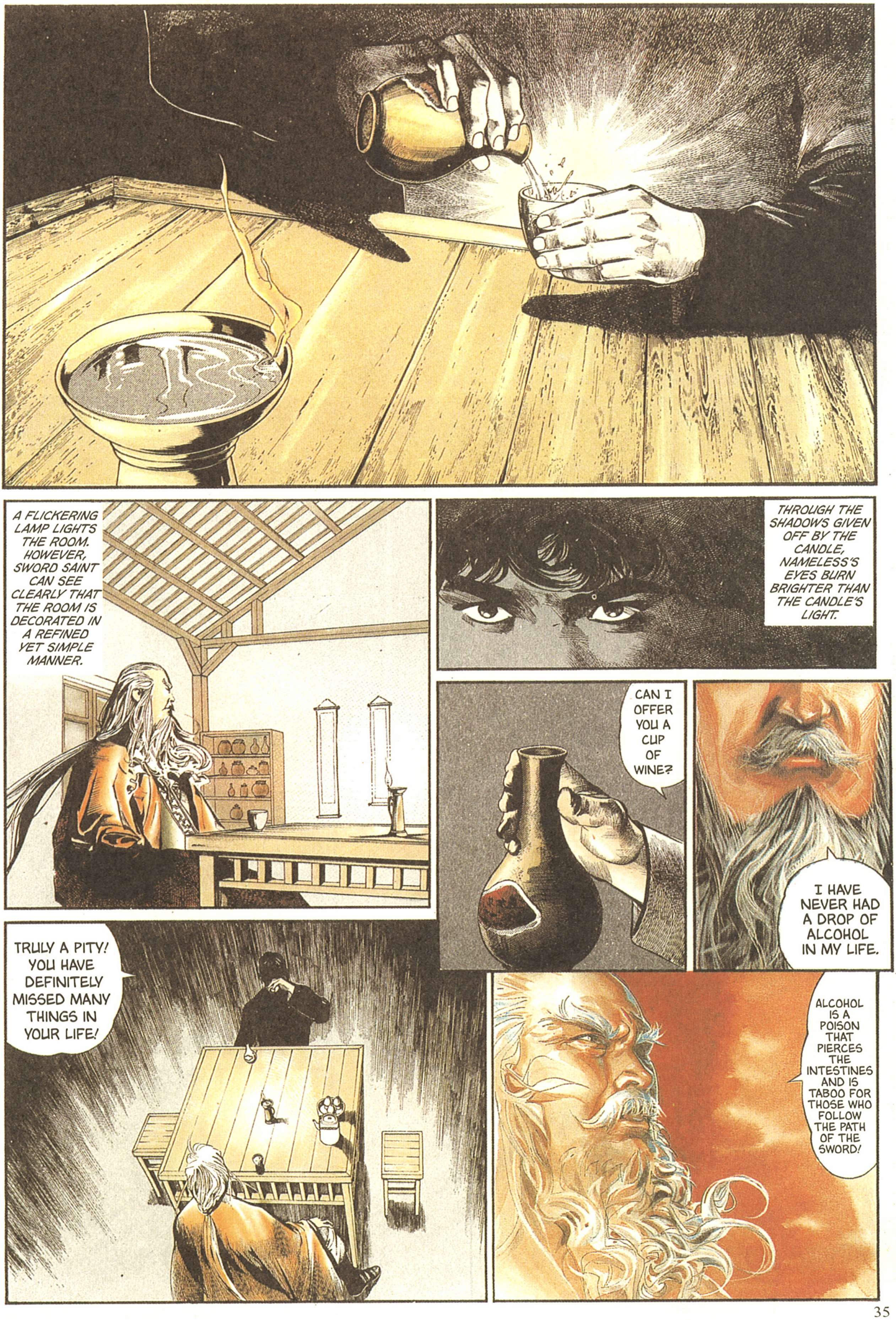

THAT YEAR WHEN MASTER AND SWORD SAINT FOUGHT, HE ALREADY KNEW THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT 21 SWORD SKILL STILL HAD FURTHER CHANGES REMAINING... AND THAT THE SWORD SKILL 22 MUST BE CREATED!
AH! NAMELESS KNOWS OF HOW I'VE IMPROVED!
IN ORDER TO OVERCOME SWORD SKILL 22, MASTER SPENT MANY YEARS TRYING TO THINK OF A WAY TO DEFEAT IT. THE "OBSCURE STYLE" IS THE GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT OF HIS LIFETIME!
ALTHOUGH HE HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO DUEL WITH NAMELESS AND HE HAD ALREADY BEEN DEFEATED BY HIS STUDENT, SURPRISINGLY HIS HEART WAS NOT SAD... HE ACTUALLY FELT AT EASE BY ACCOMPLISHING ONE OF HIS WISHES BEFORE HE DIED...
HOWEVER, IF ELDER WOULD USE SWORD SKILL 23, THIS JUNIOR WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY LOSE! MASTER ONCE SAID THAT SWORD SKILL 23 IS THE MOST FEARSOME SWORD TECHNIQUE IN THE WORLD. IT CAN CAUSE GREAT HARDSHIP, HOWEVER... MASTER WAS UNABLE TO DISCOVER THE SECRET OF THIS SWORD STRIKE.
IT'S BECAUSE ONLY AN EXTRAORDINARY PERSON COULD CREATE SUCH A SWORD STRIKE!
AH! AN EXTRAORDINARY PERSON CAN CREATE SWORD SKILL 23...?

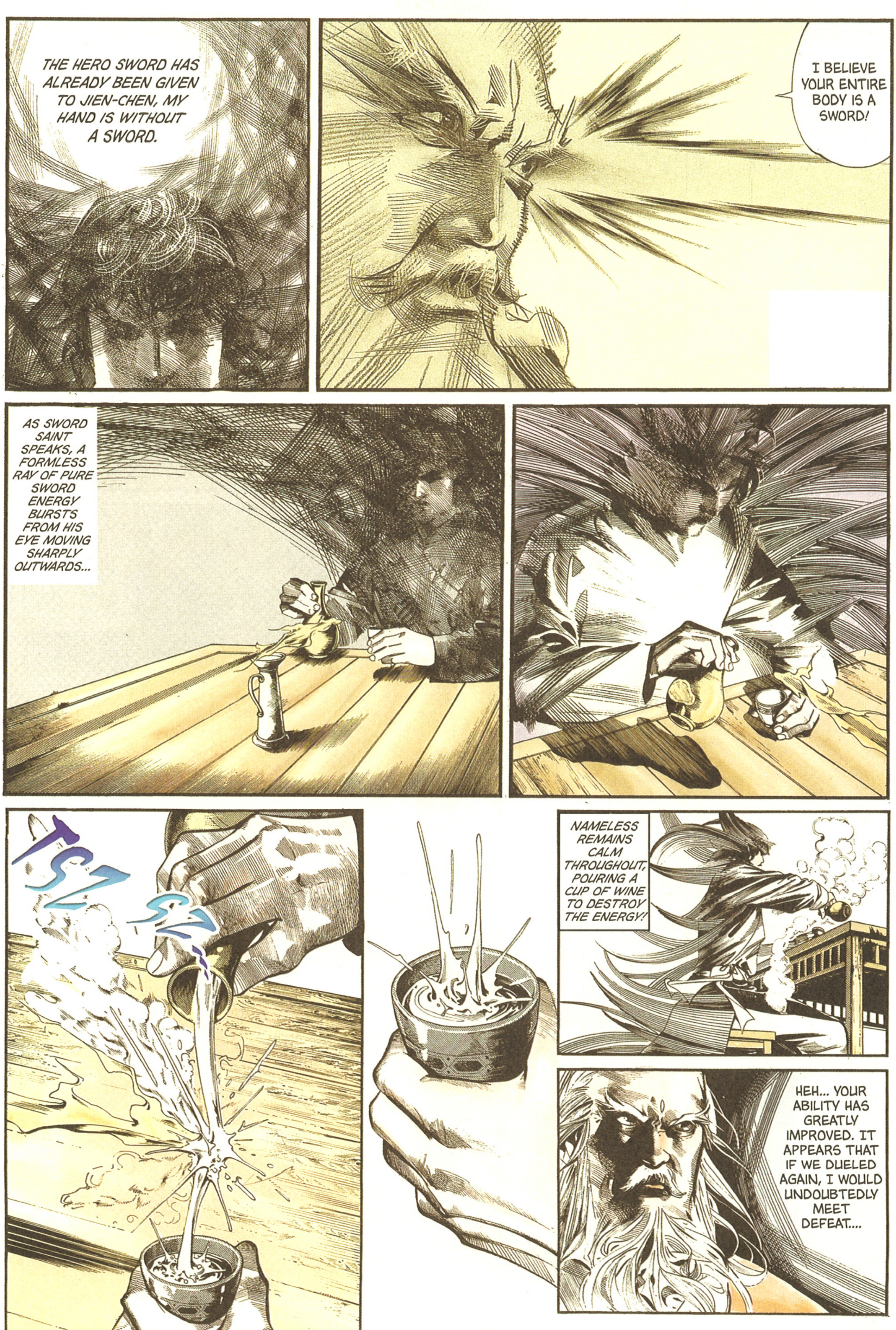

EVER SINCE SWORD SAINT HAD COMMENCED THE PATH OF THE SWORD, SWORD SKILL 22 WAS THE PEAK OF HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS... IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO SURPASS IT. HOWEVER, JIEN-CHEN'S WORDS BROKE THROUGH, AND GAVE HIM A NEW AMBITION IN THE SWORD ARTS AND REVEALED A VISION!
SWORD SKILL 23
LOST IN THOUGHT, HE IS ALREADY INTOXICATED WITH THE IDEA OF THE 23RD SWORD SKILL.
CAN THIS OLD MAN ATTAIN HOLINESS, CAN I COMPREHEND THE SWORD SKILL 23?
WE HAVE JUST FOUGHT, ELDER HAS EXPENDED CONSIDERABLE ENERGY, YOU SHOULD NOT CONTINUE. REST FOR A WHILE!
NO! I HAVE LITTLE TIME LEFT!

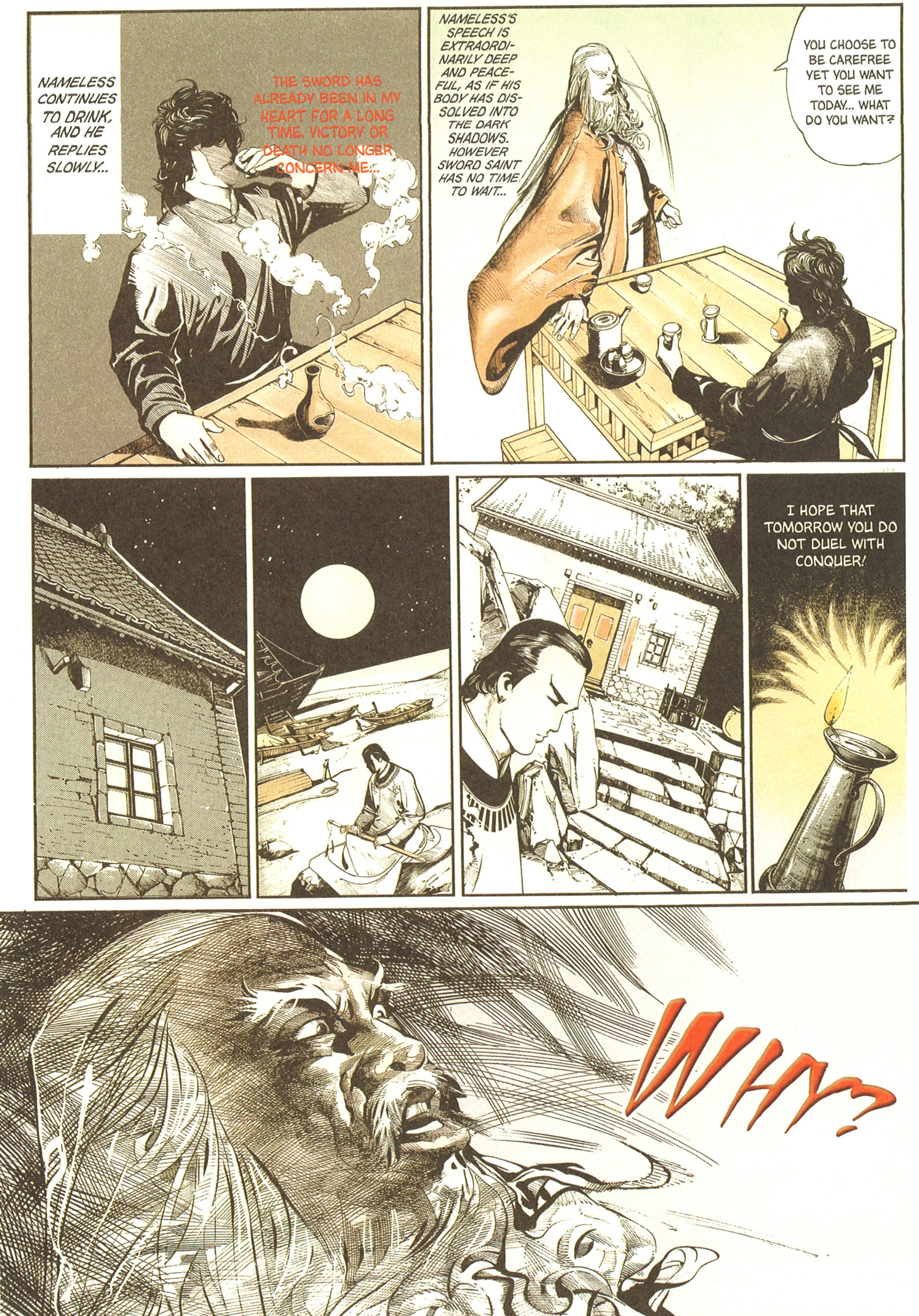

I STILL HAVE ONE WISH, THAT I MUST FULFILL!
BUT, THERE IS STILL ONE PERSON THAT ELDER ALSO MUST SEE!

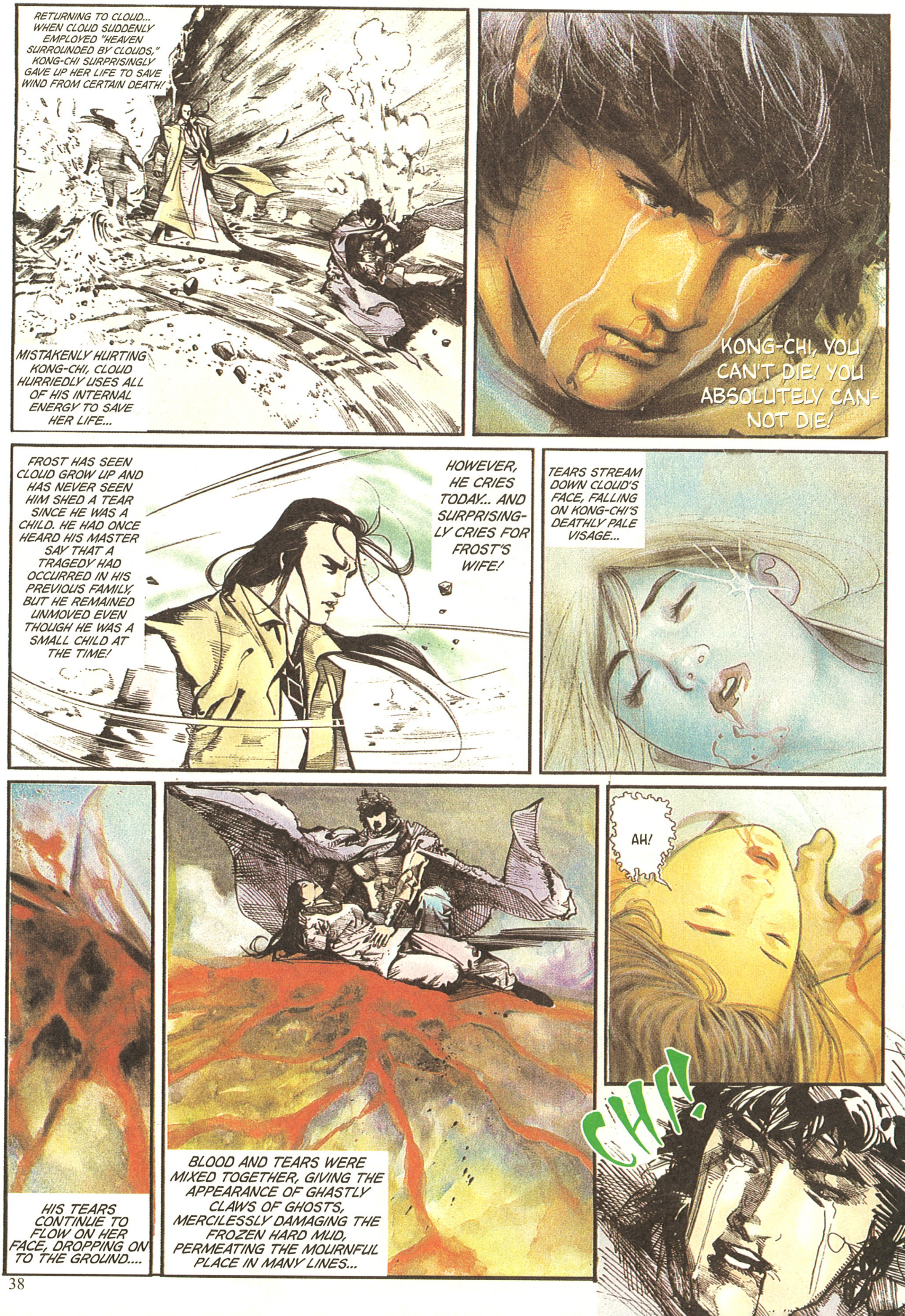
Chapter 21: Who Is The Most Loved?

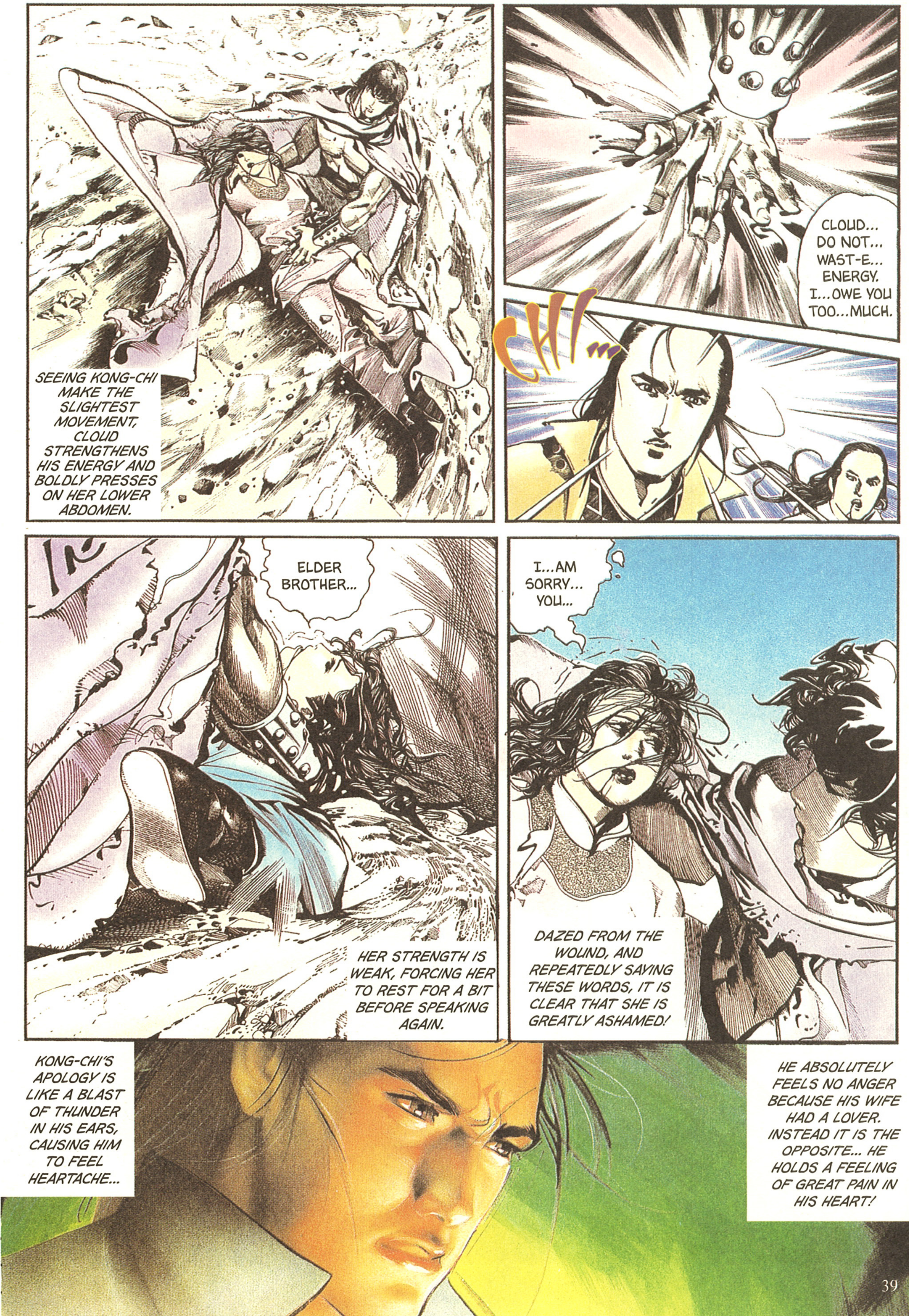

NAMELESS...
ELDER, PLEASE GO IN.
NAMELESS, YOU ARE STILL AMONG THE LIVING.
OLD FRIEND, IT HAS BEEN MANY YEARS. WON'T YOU PLEASE COME IN FOR A WHILE?

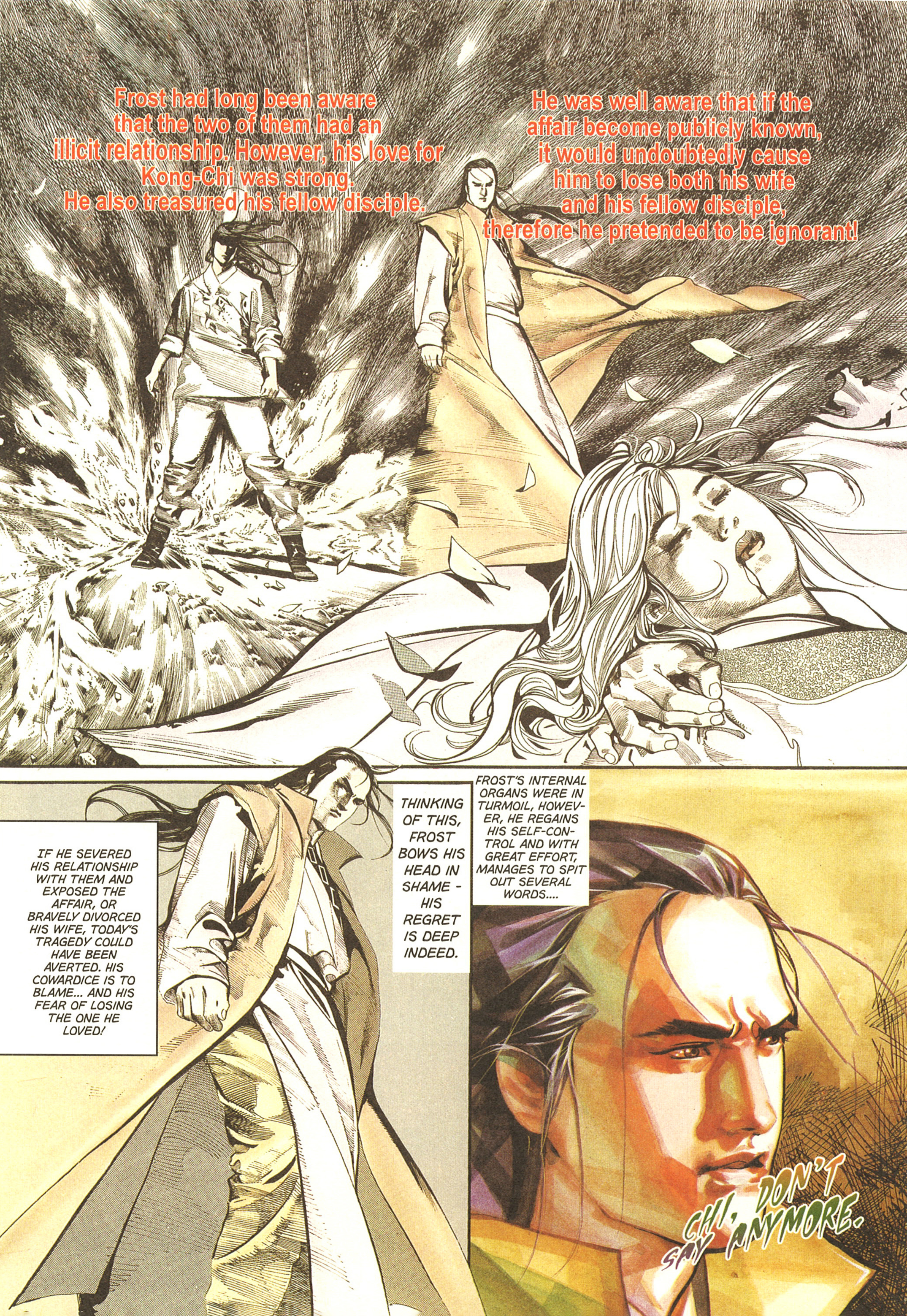

A FLICKERING LAMP LIGHTS THE ROOM. HOWEVER, SWORD SAINT CAN SEE CLEARLY THAT THE ROOM IS DECORATED IN A REFINED YET SIMPLE MANNER.
THROUGH THE SHADOWS GIVEN OFF BY THE CANDLE, NAMELESS'S EYES BURN BRIGHTER THAN THE CANDLE'S LIGHT.
CAN I OFFER YOU A CUP OF WINE?
I HAVE NEVER HAD A DROP OF ALCOHOL IN MY LIFE.
TRULY A PITY! YOU HAVE DEFINITELY MISSED MANY THINGS IN YOUR LIFE!
ALCOHOL IS A POISON THAT PIERCES THE INTESTINES AND IS TABOO FOR THOSE WHO FOLLOW THE PATH OF THE SWORD!

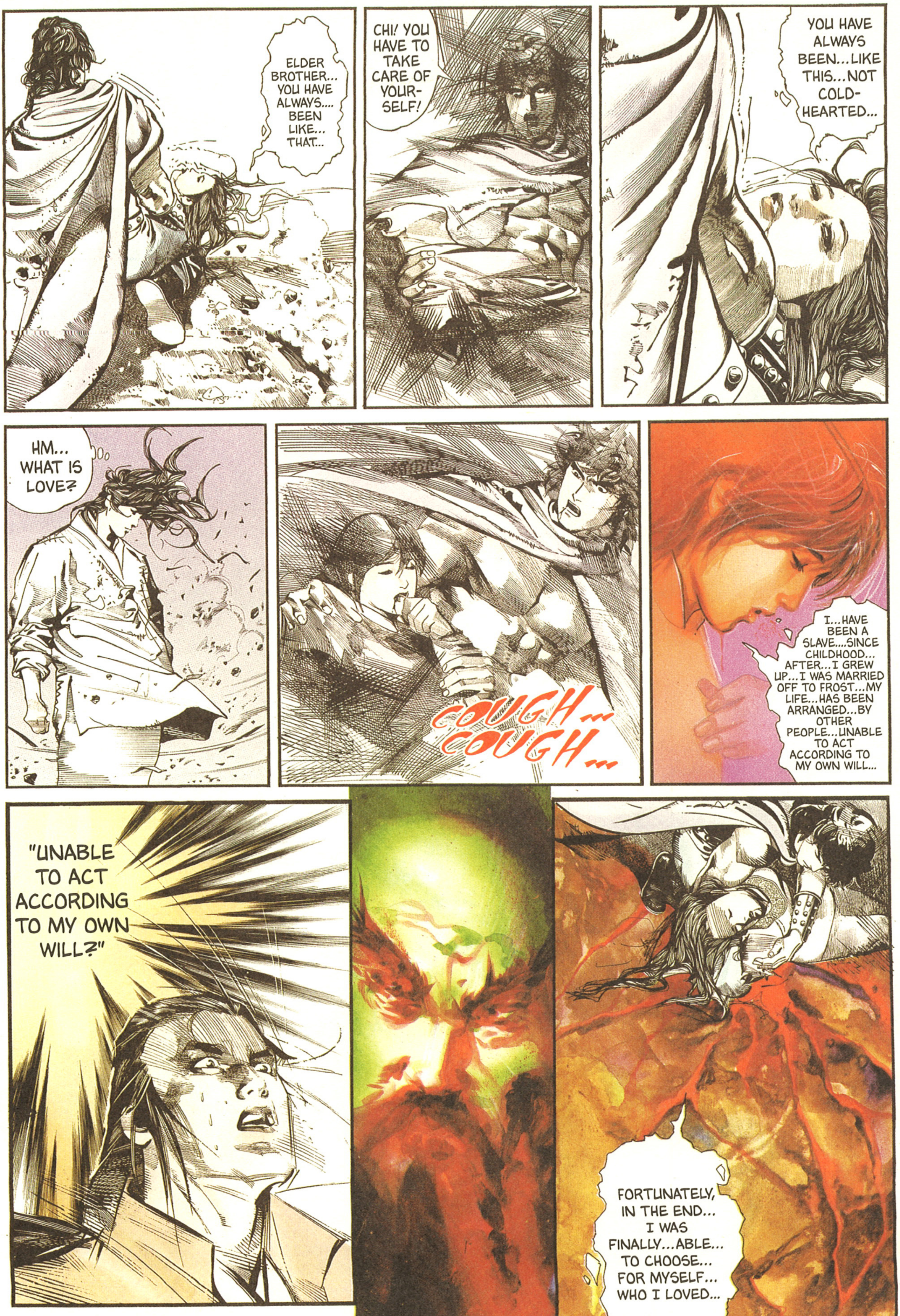

THE HERO SWORD HAS ALREADY BEEN GIVEN TO JIEN-CHEN, MY HAND IS WITHOUT A SWORD.
I BELIEVE YOUR ENTIRE BODY IS A SWORD!
AS SWORD SAINT SPEAKS, A FORMLESS RAY OF PURE SWORD ENERGY BURSTS FROM HIS EYE MOVING SHARPLY OUTWARDS...
TSZ SZ...
NAMELESS REMAINS CALM THROUGHOUT, POURING A CUP OF WINE TO DESTROY THE ENERGY!
HEH... YOUR ABILITY HAS GREATLY IMPROVED. IT APPEARS THAT IF WE DUELED AGAIN, I WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY MEET DEFEAT....

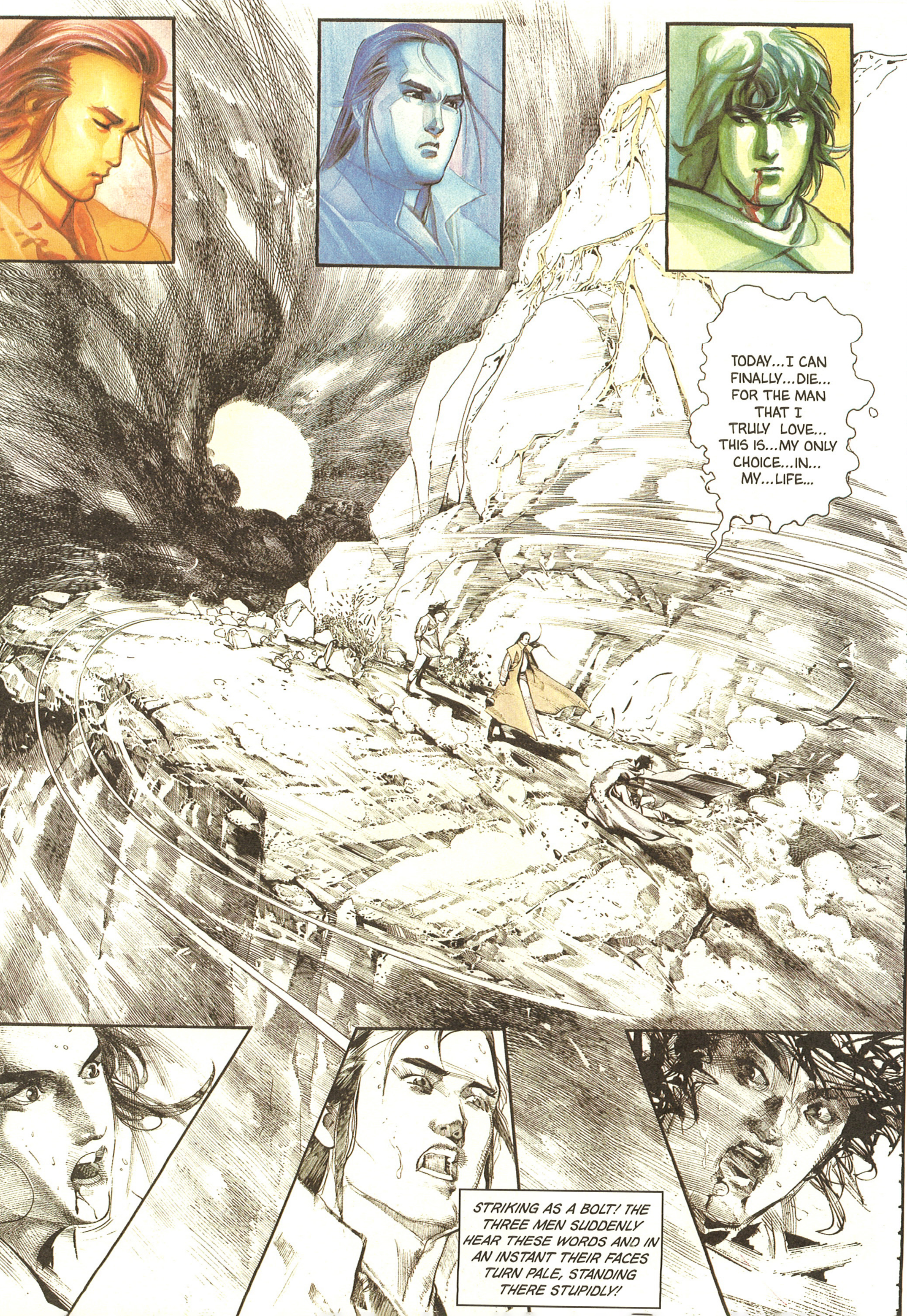

NAMELESS CONTINUES TO DRINK, AND HE REPLIES SLOWLY...
THE SWORD HAS ALREADY BEEN IN MY HEART FOR A LONG TIME. VICTORY OR DEATH NO LONGER CONCERN ME...
NAMELESS'S SPEECH IS EXTRAORDINARILY DEEP AND PEACEFUL, AS IF HIS BODY HAS DISSOLVED INTO THE DARK SHADOWS. HOWEVER SWORD SAINT HAS NO TIME TO WAIT...
YOU CHOOSE TO BE CAREFREE YET YOU WANT TO SEE ME TODAY... WHAT DO YOU WANT?
I HOPE THAT TOMORROW YOU DO NOT DUEL WITH CONQUER!
WHY?

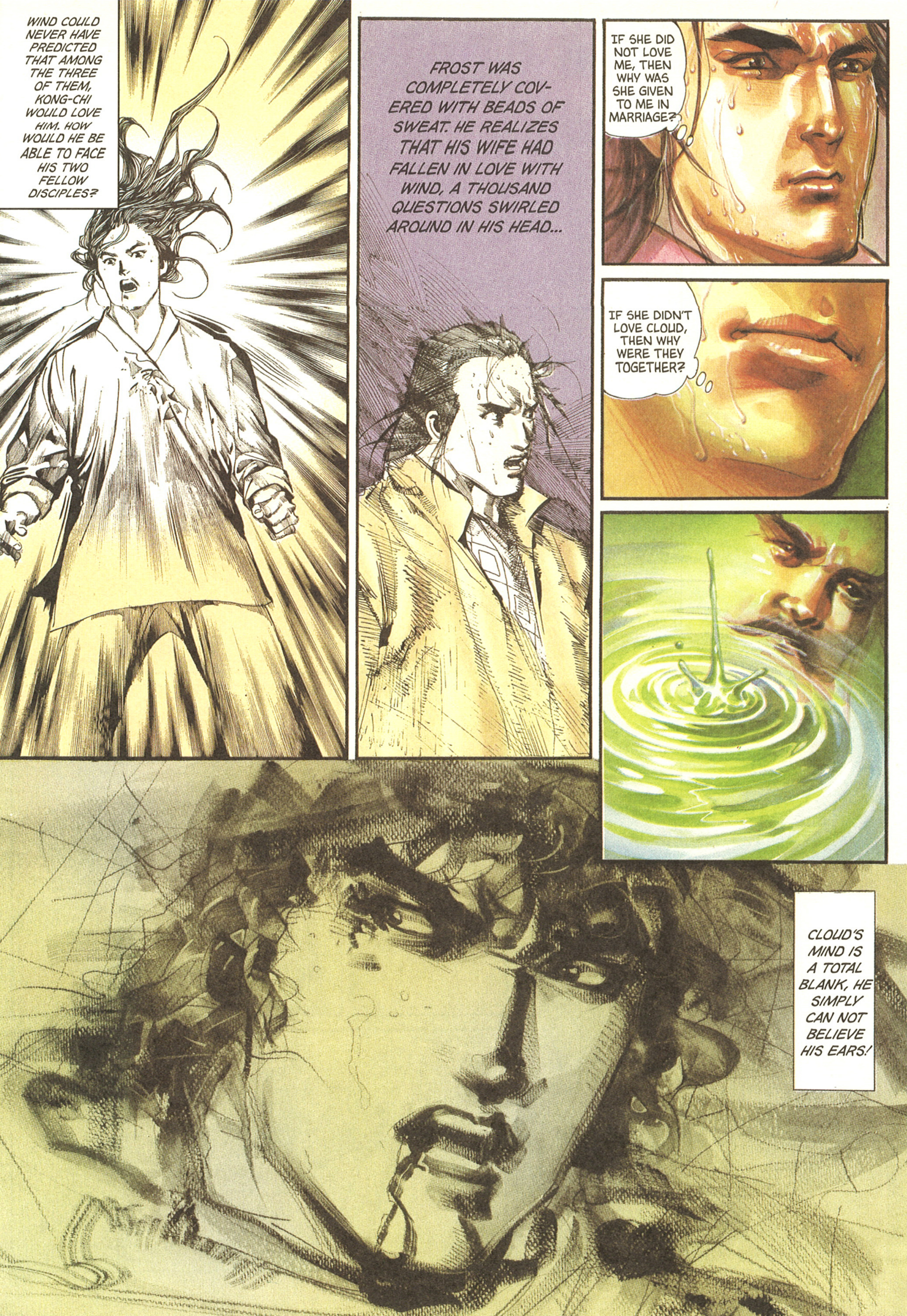

RETURNING TO CLOUD... WHEN CLOUD SUDDENLY EMPLOYED "HEAVEN SURROUNDED BY CLOUDS," KONG-CHI SURPRISINGLY GAVE UP HER LIFE TO SAVE WIND FROM CERTAIN DEATH!
MISTAKENLY HURTING KONG-CHI, CLOUD HURRIEDLY USES ALL OF HIS INTERNAL ENERGY TO SAVE HER LIFE...
KONG-CHI, YOU CAN'T DIE! YOU ABSOLUTELY CANNOT DIE!
FROST HAS SEEN CLOUD GROW UP AND HAS NEVER SEEN HIM SHED A TEAR SINCE HE WAS A CHILD. HE HAD ONCE HEARD HIS MASTER SAY THAT A TRAGEDY HAD OCCURRED IN HIS PREVIOUS FAMILY, BUT HE REMAINED UNMOVED EVEN THOUGH HE WAS A SMALL CHILD AT THE TIME!
HOWEVER, HE CRIES TODAY... AND SURPRISINGLY CRIES FOR FROST'S WIFE!
TEARS STREAM DOWN CLOUD'S FACE, FALLING ON KONG-CHI'S DEATHLY PALE VISAGE...
HIS TEARS CONTINUE TO FLOW ON HER FACE, DROPPING ON TO THE GROUND....
BLOOD AND TEARS WERE MIXED TOGETHER, GIVING THE APPEARANCE OF GHASTLY CLAWS OF GHOSTS, MERCILESSLY DAMAGING THE FROZEN HARD MUD, PERMEATING THE MOURNFUL PLACE IN MANY LINES...
AH!
CHI!

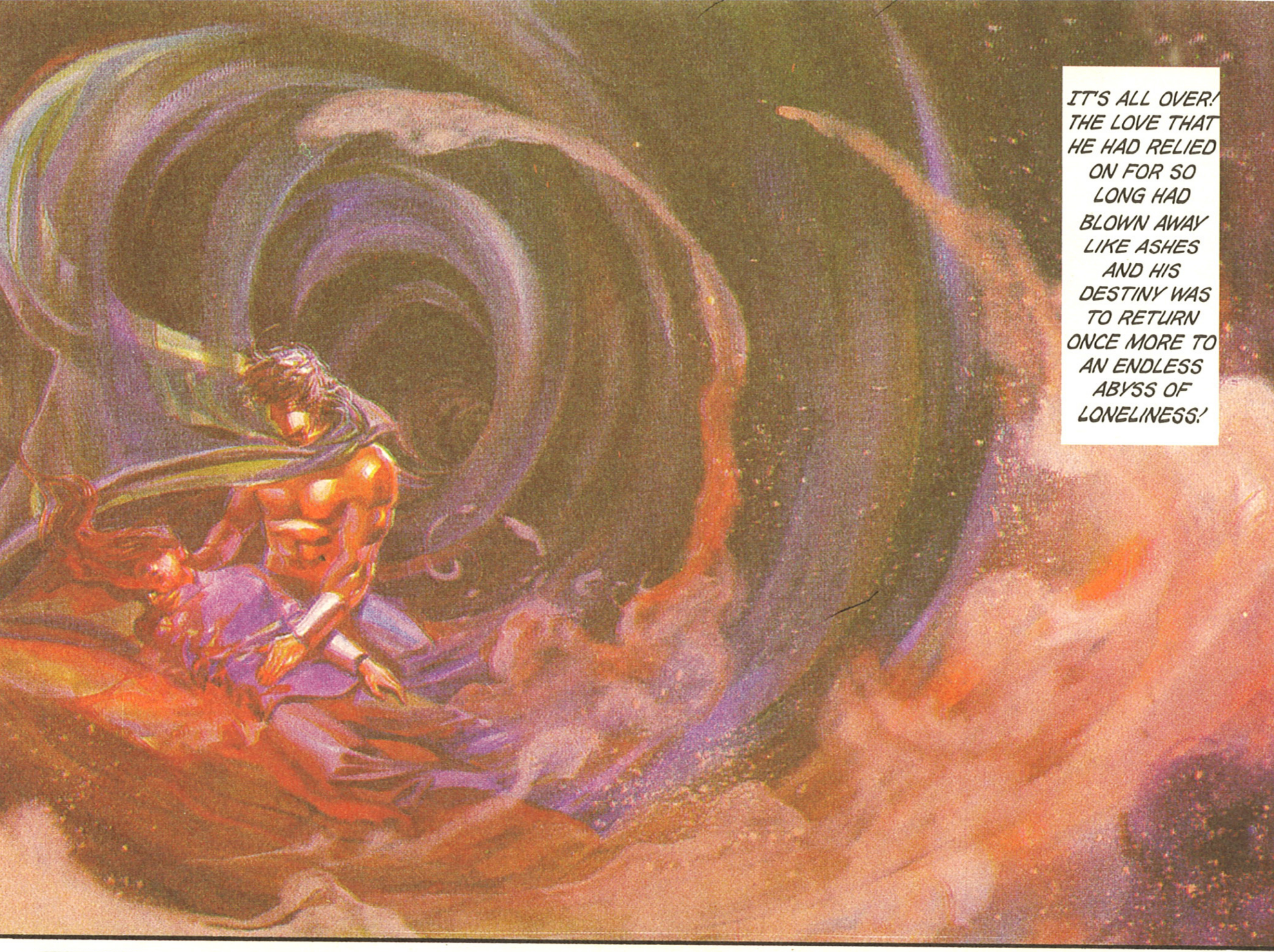

SEEING KONG-CHI MAKE THE SLIGHTEST MOVEMENT, CLOUD STRENGTHENS HIS ENERGY AND BOLDLY PRESSES ON HER LOWER ABDOMEN.
CLOUD... DO NOT... WAST-E... ENERGY. I...OWE YOU TOO...MUCH.
CHI...
ELDER BROTHER...
HER STRENGTH IS WEAK, FORCING HER TO REST FOR A BIT BEFORE SPEAKING AGAIN.
I...AM SORRY... YOU...
DAZED FROM THE WOUND, AND REPEATEDLY SAYING THESE WORDS, IT IS CLEAR THAT SHE IS GREATLY ASHAMED!
KONG-CHI'S APOLOGY IS LIKE A BLAST OF THUNDER IN HIS EARS, CAUSING HIM TO FEEL HEARTACHE...
HE ABSOLUTELY FEELS NO ANGER BECAUSE HIS WIFE HAD A LOVER. INSTEAD IT IS THE OPPOSITE... HE HOLDS A FEELING OF GREAT PAIN IN HIS HEART!

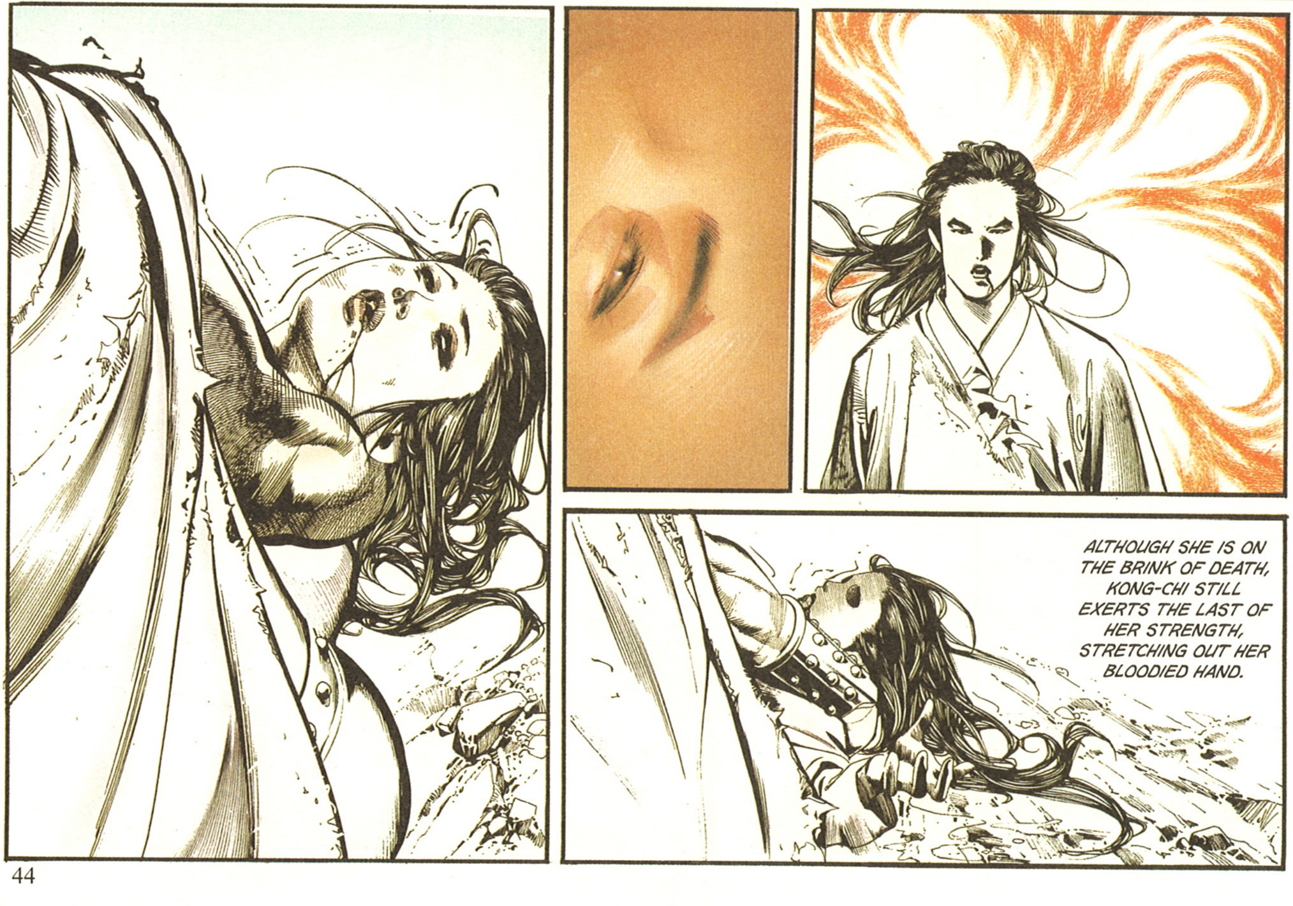

Frost had long been aware that the two of them had an illicit relationship. However, his love for Kong-Chi was strong. He also treasured his fellow disciple.
He was well aware that if the affair become publicly known, it would undoubtedly cause him to lose both his wife and his fellow disciple, therefore he pretended to be ignorant!
IF HE SEVERED HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH THEM AND EXPOSED THE AFFAIR, OR BRAVELY DIVORCED HIS WIFE, TODAY'S TRAGEDY COULD HAVE BEEN AVERTED. HIS COWARDICE IS TO BLAME... AND HIS FEAR OF LOSING THE ONE HE LOVED!
THINKING OF THIS, FROST BOWS HIS HEAD IN SHAME - HIS REGRET IS DEEP INDEED.
FROST'S INTERNAL ORGANS WERE IN TURMOIL, HOWEVER, HE REGAINS HIS SELF-CONTROL AND WITH GREAT EFFORT, MANAGES TO SPIT OUT SEVERAL WORDS....
CHI, DON'T SAY ANYMORE.

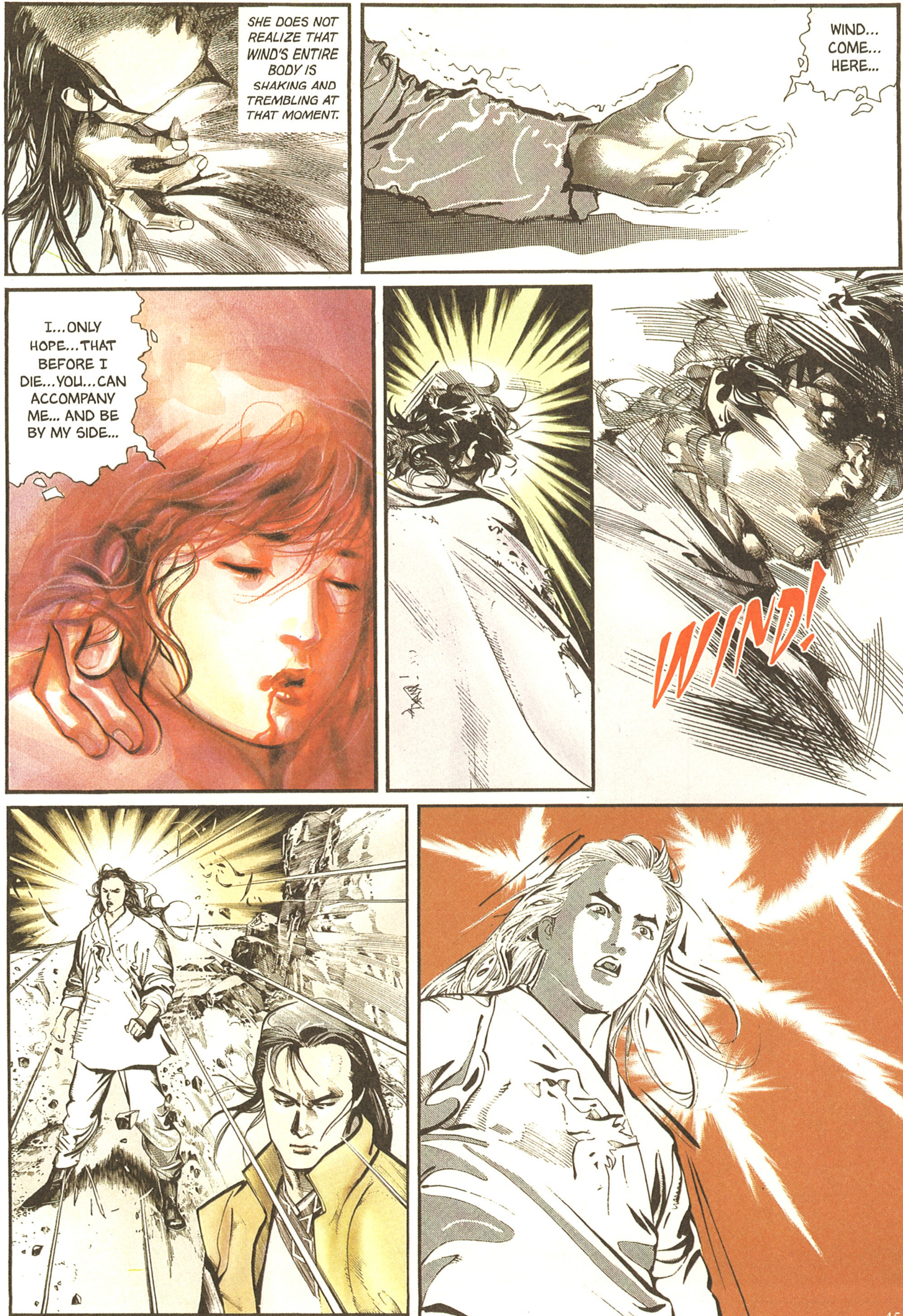

ELDER BROTHER... YOU HAVE ALWAYS.... BEEN LIKE... THAT...
CHI! YOU HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF!
YOU HAVE ALWAYS BEEN...LIKE THIS...NOT COLD-HEARTED...
HM... WHAT IS LOVE?
COUGH... COUGH...
I...HAVE BEEN A SLAVE....SINCE CHILDHOOD... AFTER...I GREW UP...I WAS MARRIED OFF TO FROST...MY LIFE...HAS BEEN ARRANGED...BY OTHER PEOPLE...UNABLE TO ACT ACCORDING TO MY OWN WILL...
"UNABLE TO ACT ACCORDING TO MY OWN WILL?"
FORTUNATELY, IN THE END... I WAS FINALLY...ABLE... TO CHOOSE... FOR MYSELF... WHO I LOVED...

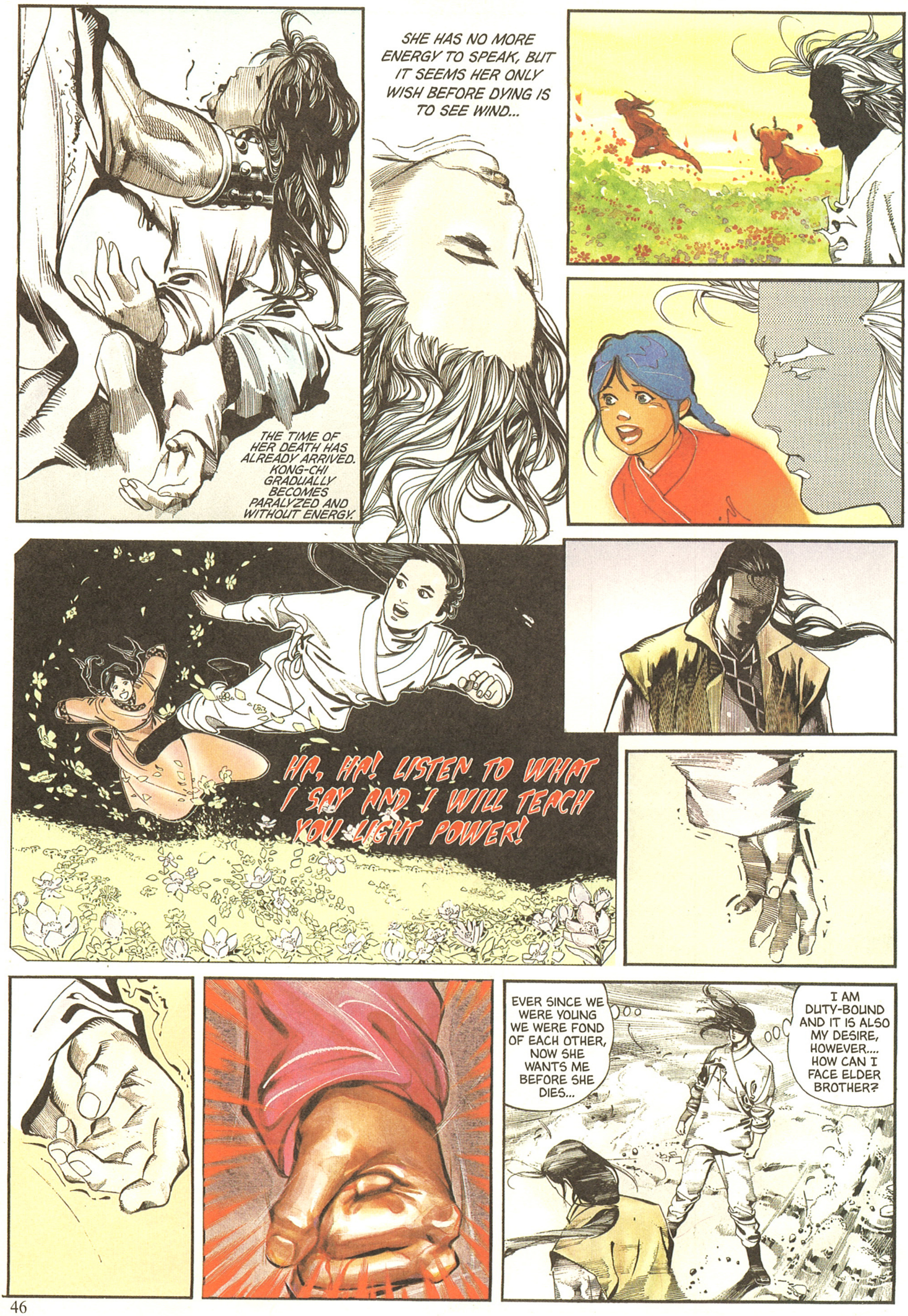

TODAY...I CAN FINALLY...DIE... FOR THE MAN THAT I TRULY LOVE... THIS IS...MY ONLY CHOICE...IN... MY...LIFE...
STRIKING AS A BOLT! THE THREE MEN SUDDENLY HEAR THESE WORDS AND IN AN INSTANT THEIR FACES TURN PALE, STANDING THERE STUPIDLY!

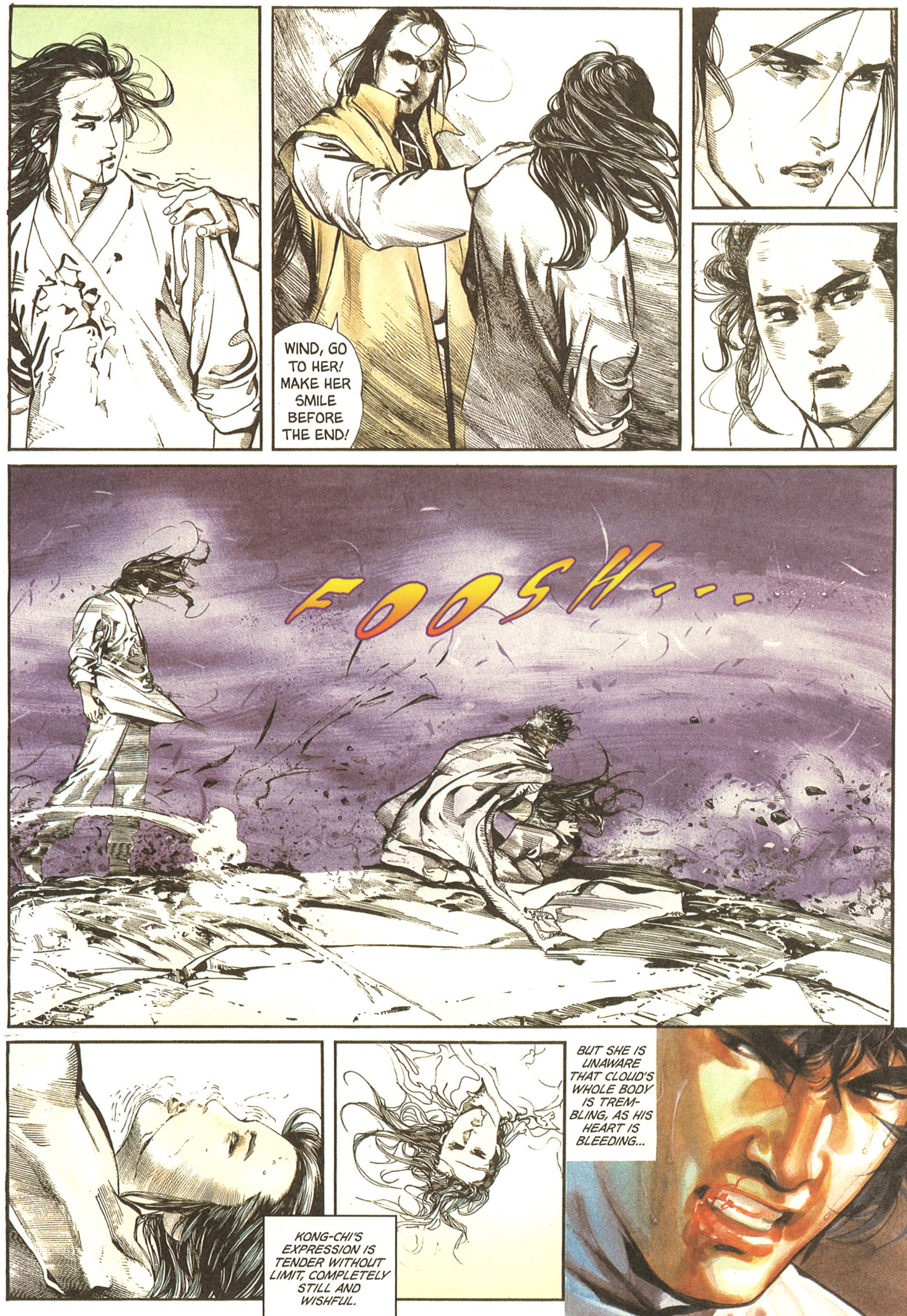

WIND COULD NEVER HAVE PREDICTED THAT AMONG THE THREE OF THEM, KONG-CHI WOULD LOVE HIM. HOW WOULD HE BE ABLE TO FACE HIS TWO FELLOW DISCIPLES?
FROST WAS COMPLETELY COVERED WITH BEADS OF SWEAT. HE REALIZES THAT HIS WIFE HAD FALLEN IN LOVE WITH WIND, A THOUSAND QUESTIONS SWIRLED AROUND IN HIS HEAD...
IF SHE DID NOT LOVE ME, THEN WHY WAS SHE GIVEN TO ME IN MARRIAGE?
IF SHE DIDN'T LOVE CLOUD, THEN WHY WERE THEY TOGETHER?
CLOUD'S MIND IS A TOTAL BLANK, HE SIMPLY CAN NOT BELIEVE HIS EARS!

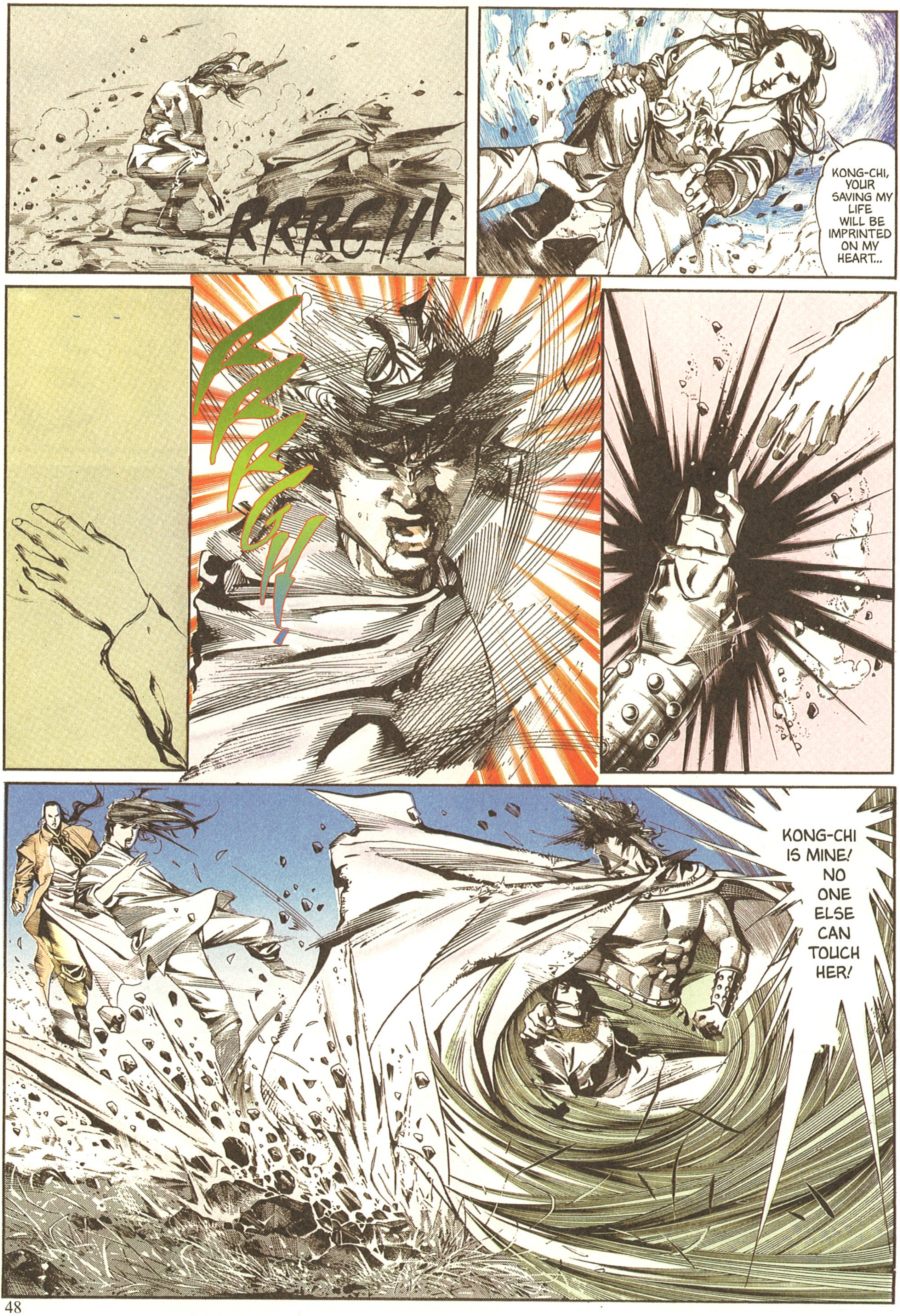

IT'S ALL OVER! THE LOVE THAT HE HAD RELIED ON FOR SO LONG HAD BLOWN AWAY LIKE ASHES AND HIS DESTINY WAS TO RETURN ONCE MORE TO AN ENDLESS ABYSS OF LONELINESS!

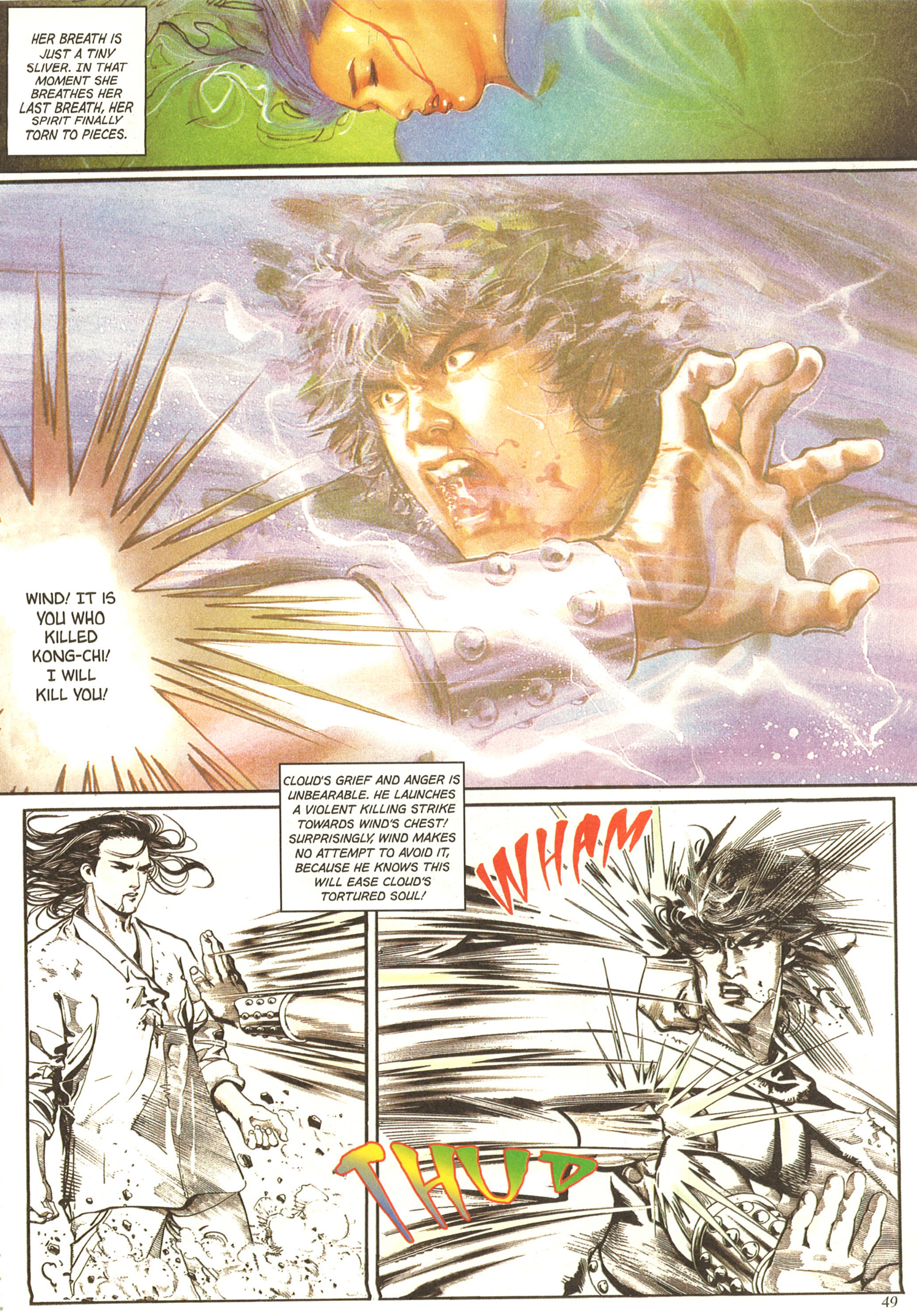

ALTHOUGH SHE IS ON THE BRINK OF DEATH, KONG-CHI STILL EXERTS THE LAST OF HER STRENGTH, STRETCHING OUT HER BLOODIED HAND.

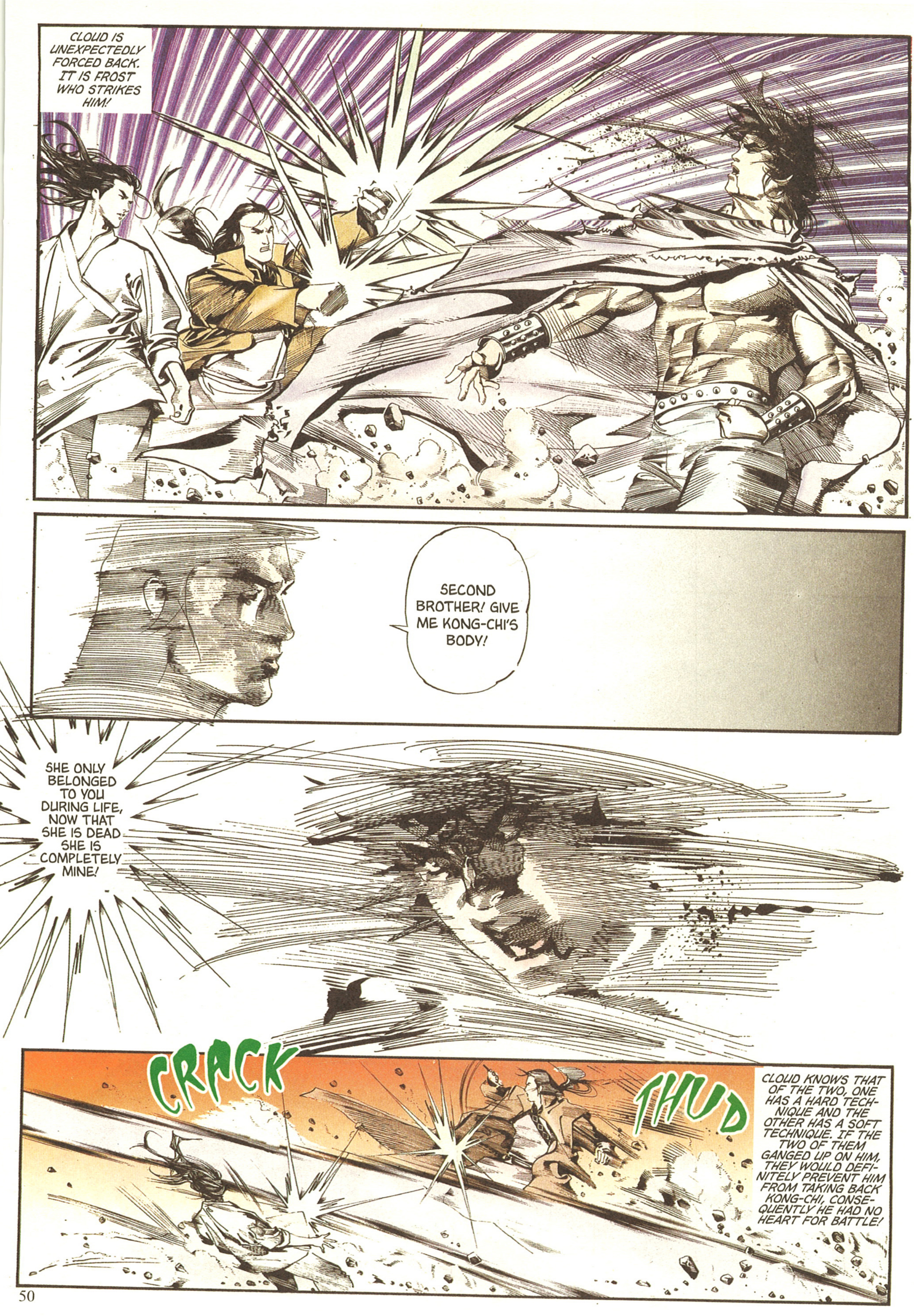

SHE DOES NOT REALIZE THAT WIND'S ENTIRE BODY IS SHAKING AND TREMBLING AT THAT MOMENT.
WIND... COME... HERE...
I...ONLY HOPE...THAT BEFORE I DIE...YOU...CAN ACCOMPANY ME... AND BE BY MY SIDE...
WIND!

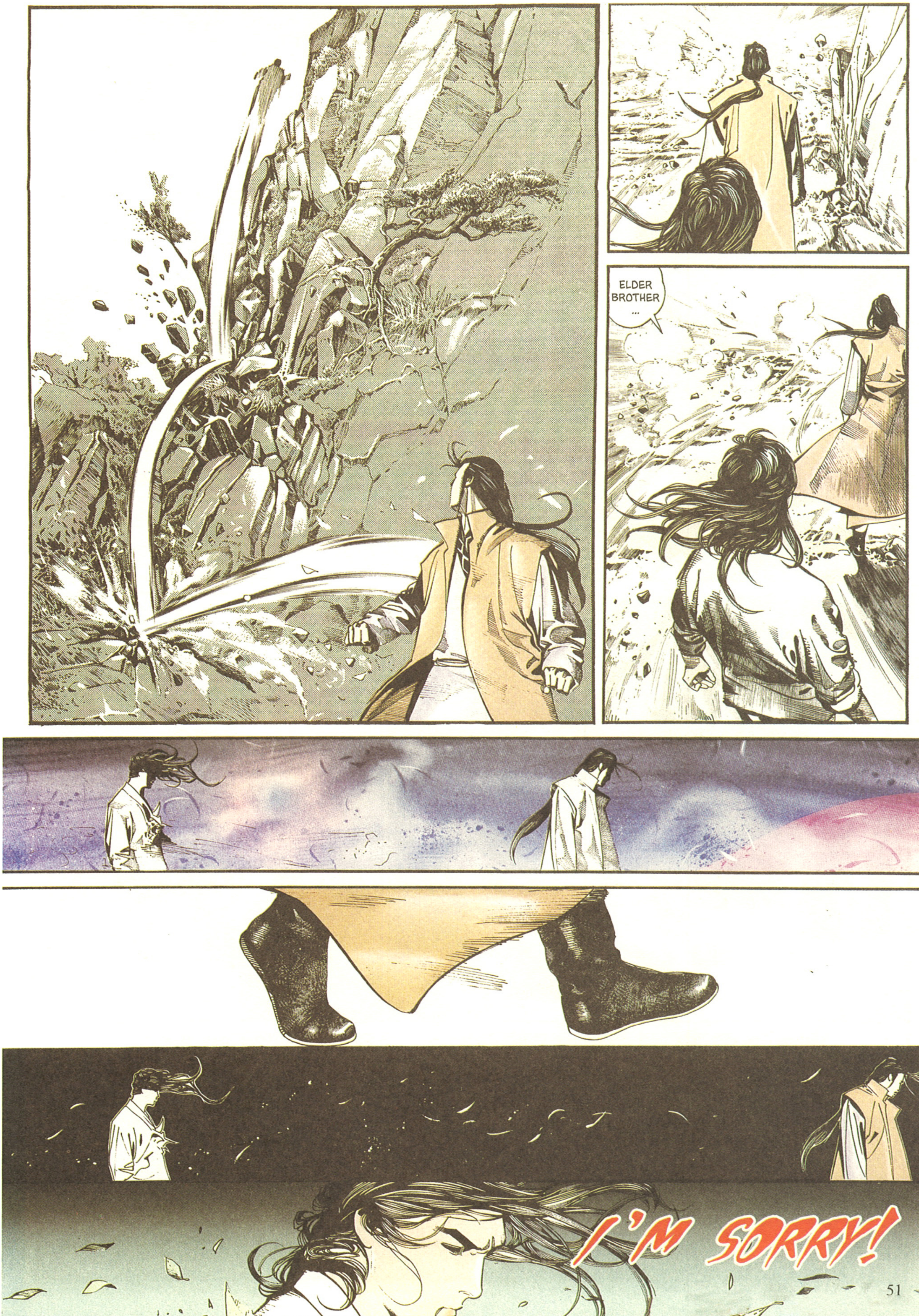

THE TIME OF HER DEATH HAS ALREADY ARRIVED. KONG-CHI GRADUALLY BECOMES PARALYZED AND WITHOUT ENERGY.
SHE HAS NO MORE ENERGY TO SPEAK, BUT IT SEEMS HER ONLY WISH BEFORE DYING IS TO SEE WIND...
HA, HA! LISTEN TO WHAT I SAY AND I WILL TEACH YOU LIGHT POWER!
EVER SINCE WE WERE YOUNG WE WERE FOND OF EACH OTHER, NOW SHE WANTS ME BEFORE SHE DIES...
I AM DUTY-BOUND AND IT IS ALSO MY DESIRE, HOWEVER.... HOW CAN I FACE ELDER BROTHER?

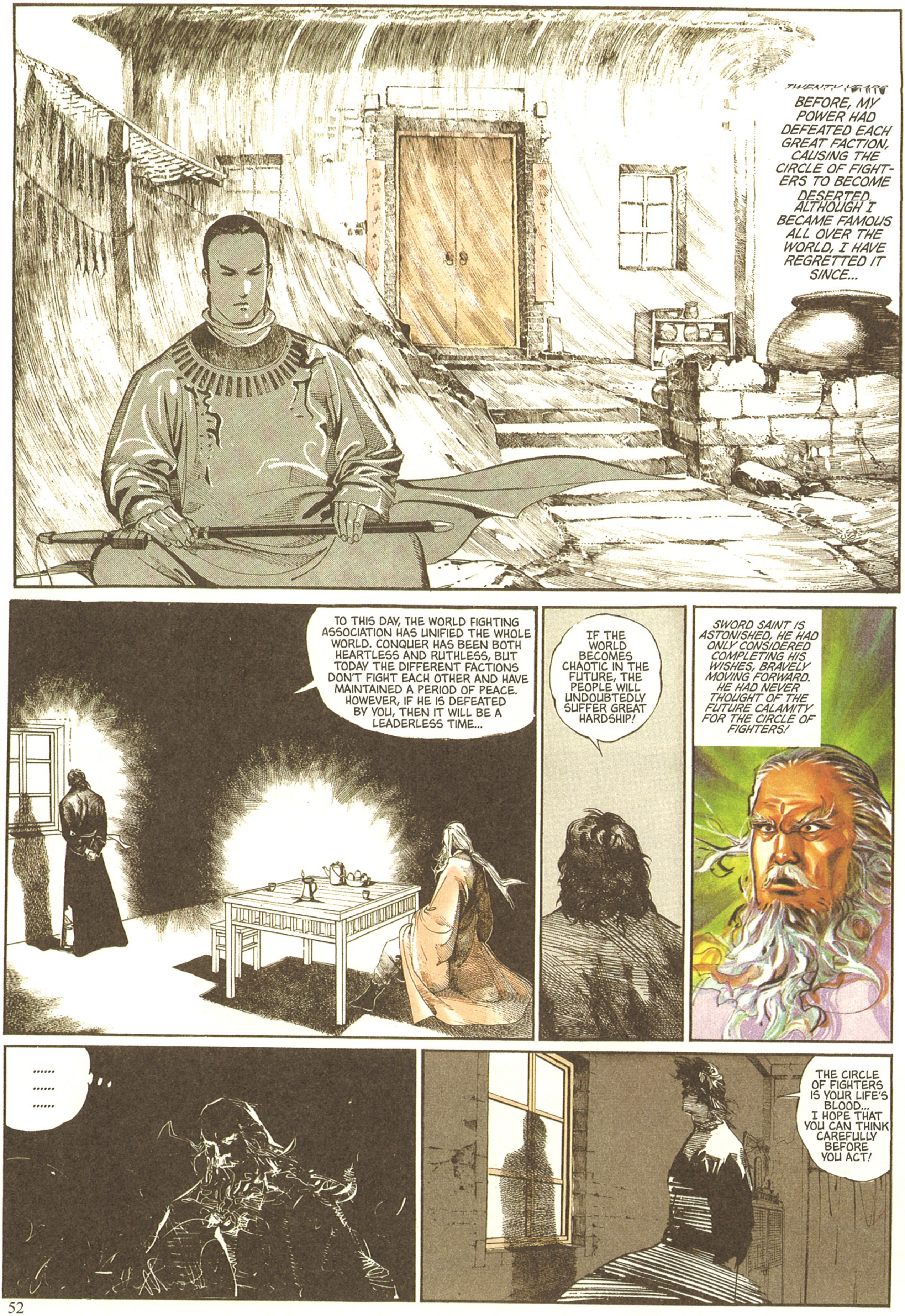

WIND, GO TO HER! MAKE HER SMILE BEFORE THE END!
FOOSH...
KONG-CHI'S EXPRESSION IS TENDER WITHOUT LIMIT, COMPLETELY STILL AND WISHFUL.
BUT SHE IS UNAWARE THAT CLOUD'S WHOLE BODY IS TREMBLING, AS HIS HEART IS BLEEDING...


RRRGH!
KONG-CHI, YOUR SAVING MY LIFE WILL BE IMPRINTED ON MY HEART...
RRRGH!
KONG-CHI IS MINE! NO ONE ELSE CAN TOUCH HER!


HER BREATH IS JUST A TINY SLIVER. IN THAT MOMENT SHE BREATHES HER LAST BREATH, HER SPIRIT FINALLY TORN TO PIECES.
WIND! IT IS YOU WHO KILLED KONG-CHI! I WILL KILL YOU!
CLOUD'S GRIEF AND ANGER IS UNBEARABLE. HE LAUNCHES A VIOLENT KILLING STRIKE TOWARDS WIND'S CHEST! SURPRISINGLY, WIND MAKES NO ATTEMPT TO AVOID IT, BECAUSE HE KNOWS THIS WILL EASE CLOUD'S TORTURED SOUL!
WHAM
THUD


CLOUD IS UNEXPECTEDLY FORCED BACK. IT IS FROST WHO STRIKES HIM!
SECOND BROTHER! GIVE ME KONG-CHI'S BODY!
SHE ONLY BELONGED TO YOU DURING LIFE, NOW THAT SHE IS DEAD SHE IS COMPLETELY MINE!
CRACK
THUD
CLOUD KNOWS THAT OF THE TWO, ONE HAS A HARD TECHNIQUE AND THE OTHER HAS A SOFT TECHNIQUE. IF THE TWO OF THEM GANGED UP ON HIM, THEY WOULD DEFINITELY PREVENT HIM FROM TAKING BACK KONG-CHI, CONSEQUENTLY HE HAD NO HEART FOR BATTLE!


ELDER BROTHER ...
I'M SORRY!


TWENTY YEARS BEFORE, MY POWER HAD DEFEATED EACH GREAT FACTION, CAUSING THE CIRCLE OF FIGHTERS TO BECOME DESERTED. ALTHOUGH I BECAME FAMOUS ALL OVER THE WORLD, I HAVE REGRETTED IT SINCE...
TO THIS DAY, THE WORLD FIGHTING ASSOCIATION HAS UNIFIED THE WHOLE WORLD. CONQUER HAS BEEN BOTH HEARTLESS AND RUTHLESS, BUT TODAY THE DIFFERENT FACTIONS DON'T FIGHT EACH OTHER AND HAVE MAINTAINED A PERIOD OF PEACE. HOWEVER, IF HE IS DEFEATED BY YOU, THEN IT WILL BE A LEADERLESS TIME...
IF THE WORLD BECOMES CHAOTIC IN THE FUTURE, THE PEOPLE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY SUFFER GREAT HARDSHIP!
SWORD SAINT IS ASTONISHED, HE HAD ONLY CONSIDERED COMPLETING HIS WISHES, BRAVELY MOVING FORWARD. HE HAD NEVER THOUGHT OF THE FUTURE CALAMITY FOR THE CIRCLE OF FIGHTERS!
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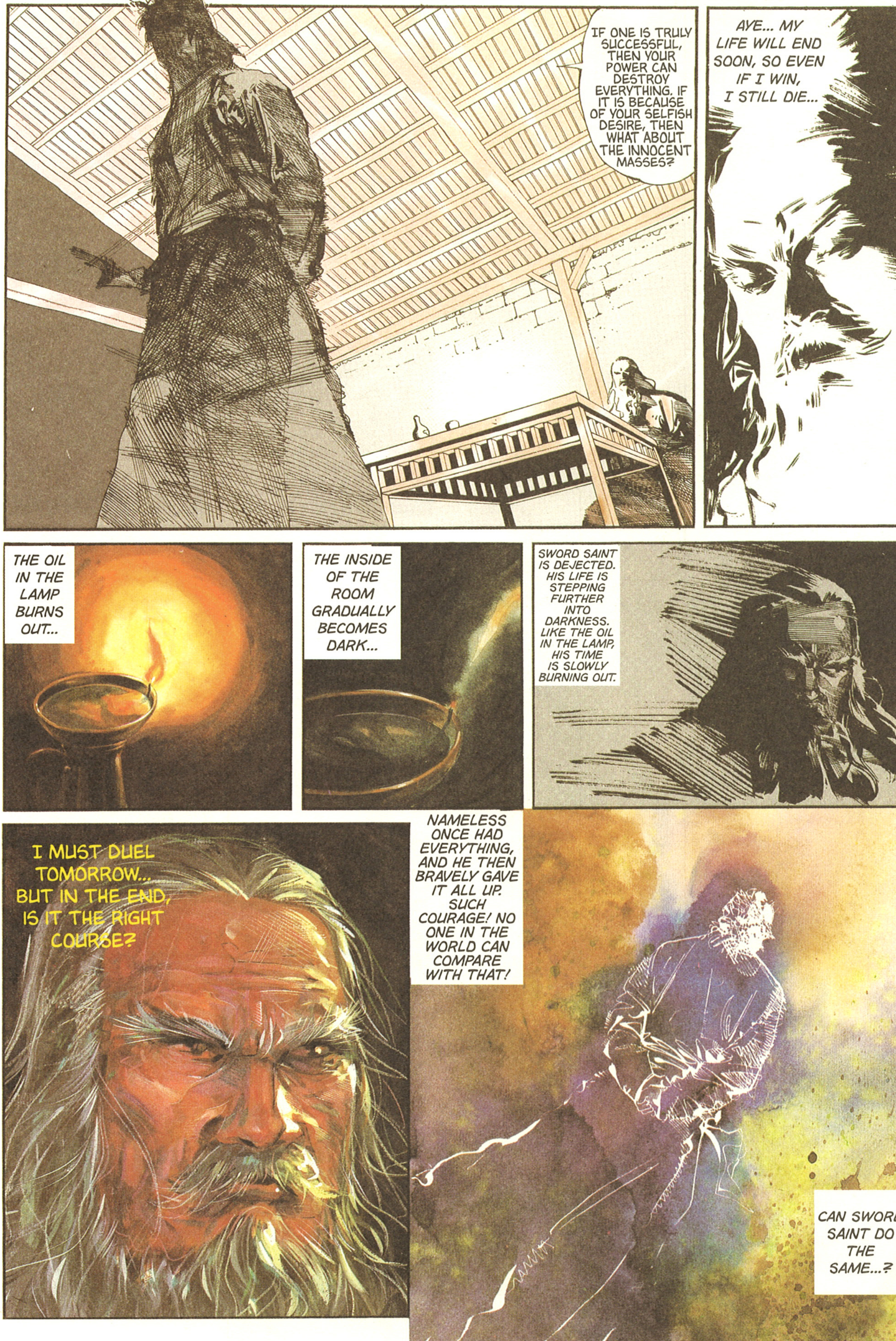
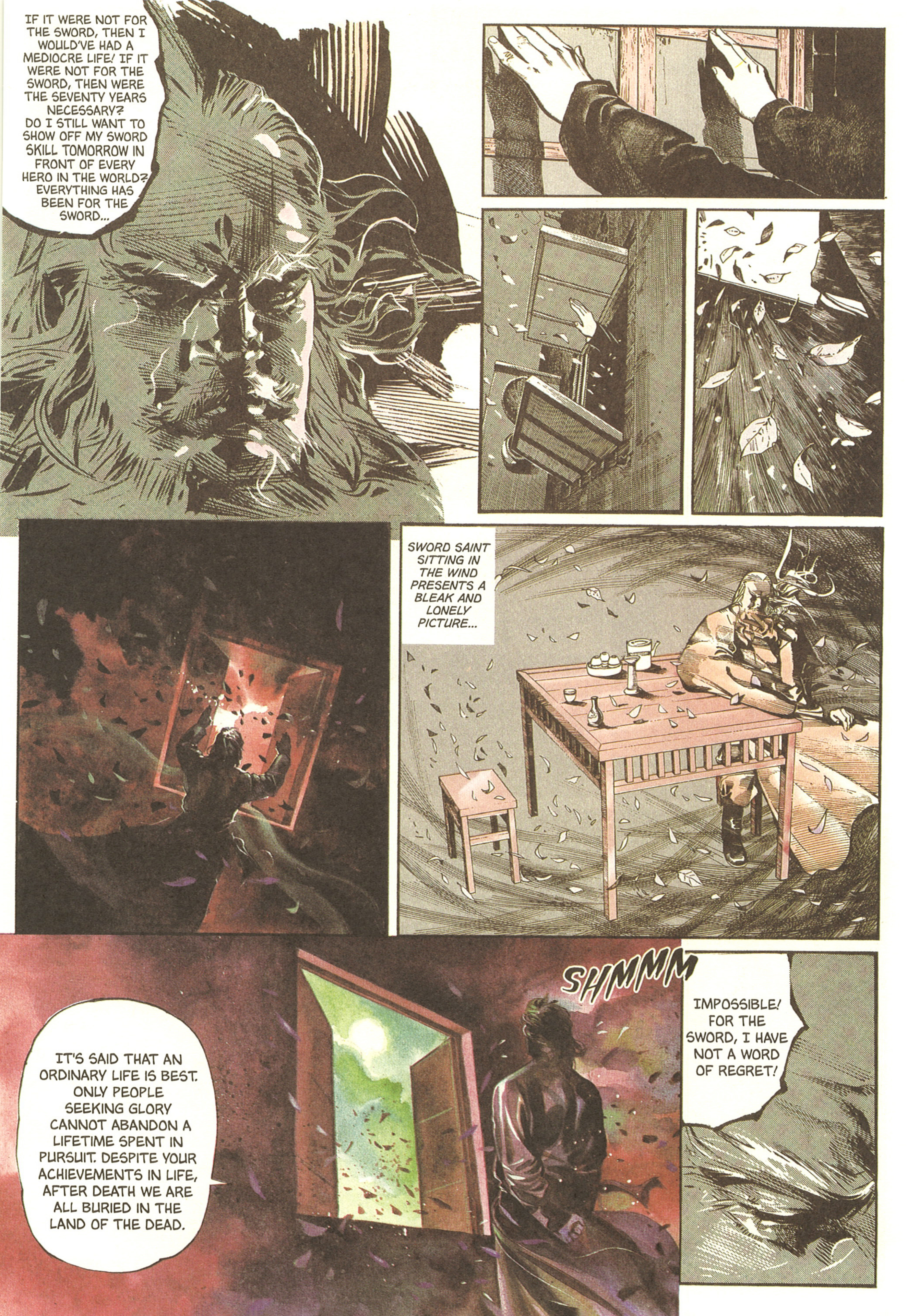
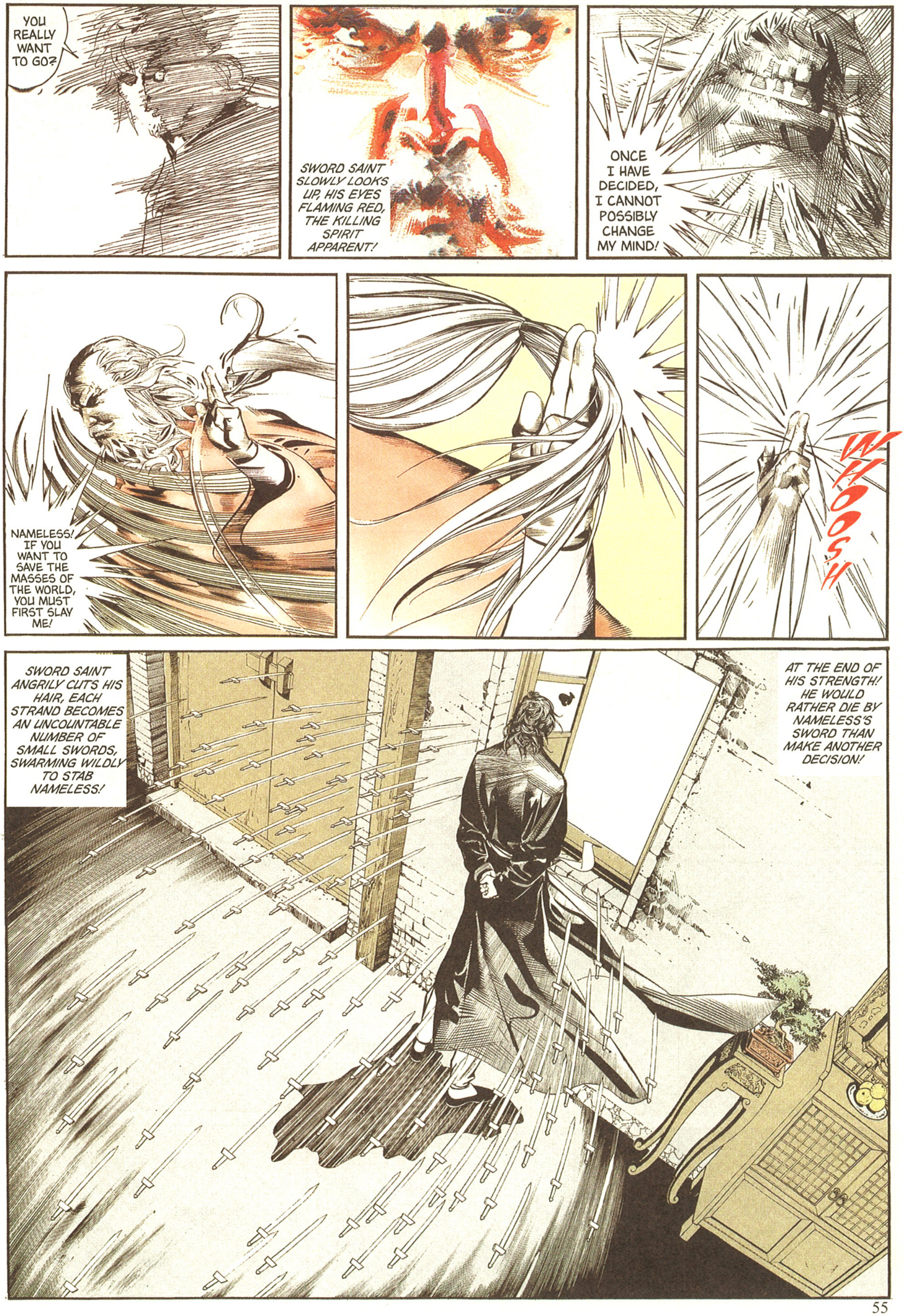
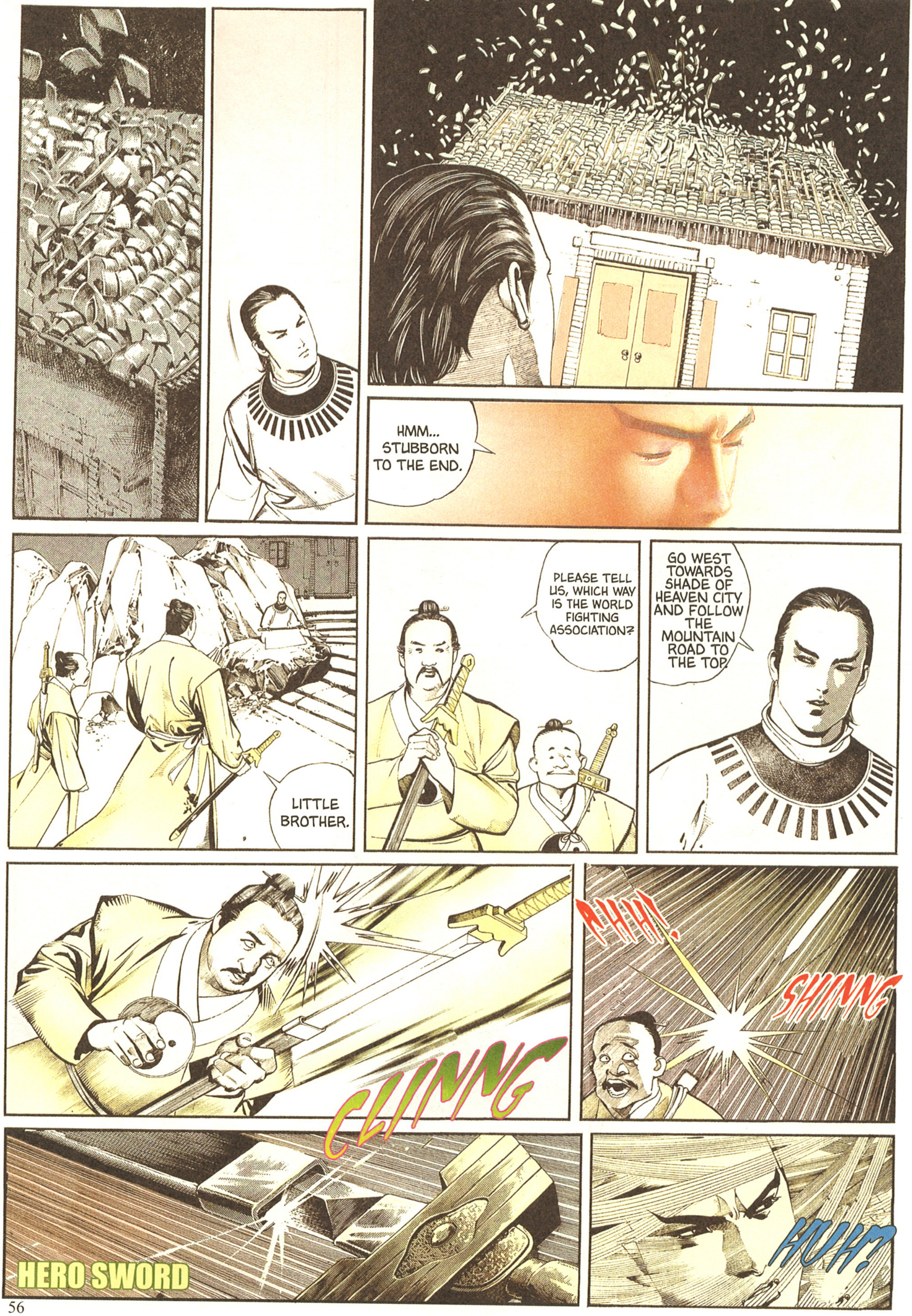
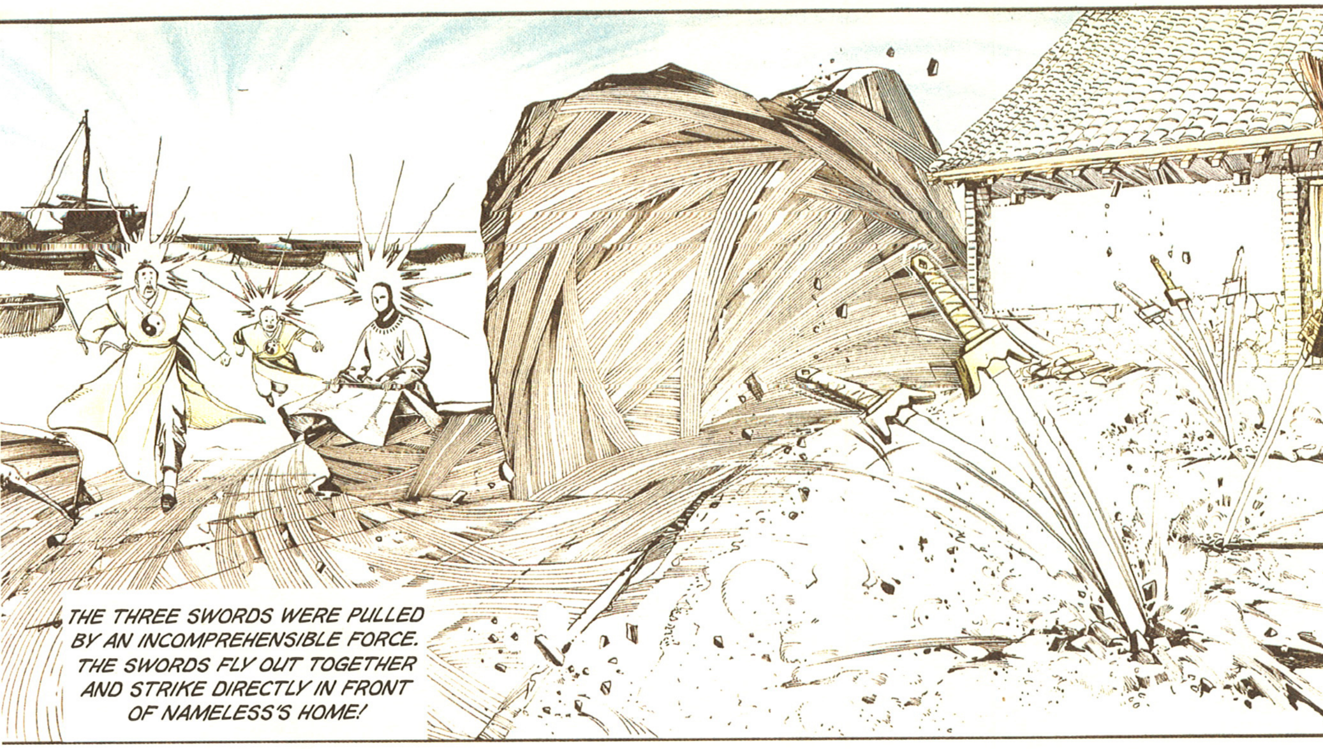
THE CIRCLE OF FIGHTERS IS YOUR LIFE'S BLOOD... I HOPE THAT YOU CAN THINK CAREFULLY BEFORE YOU ACT!

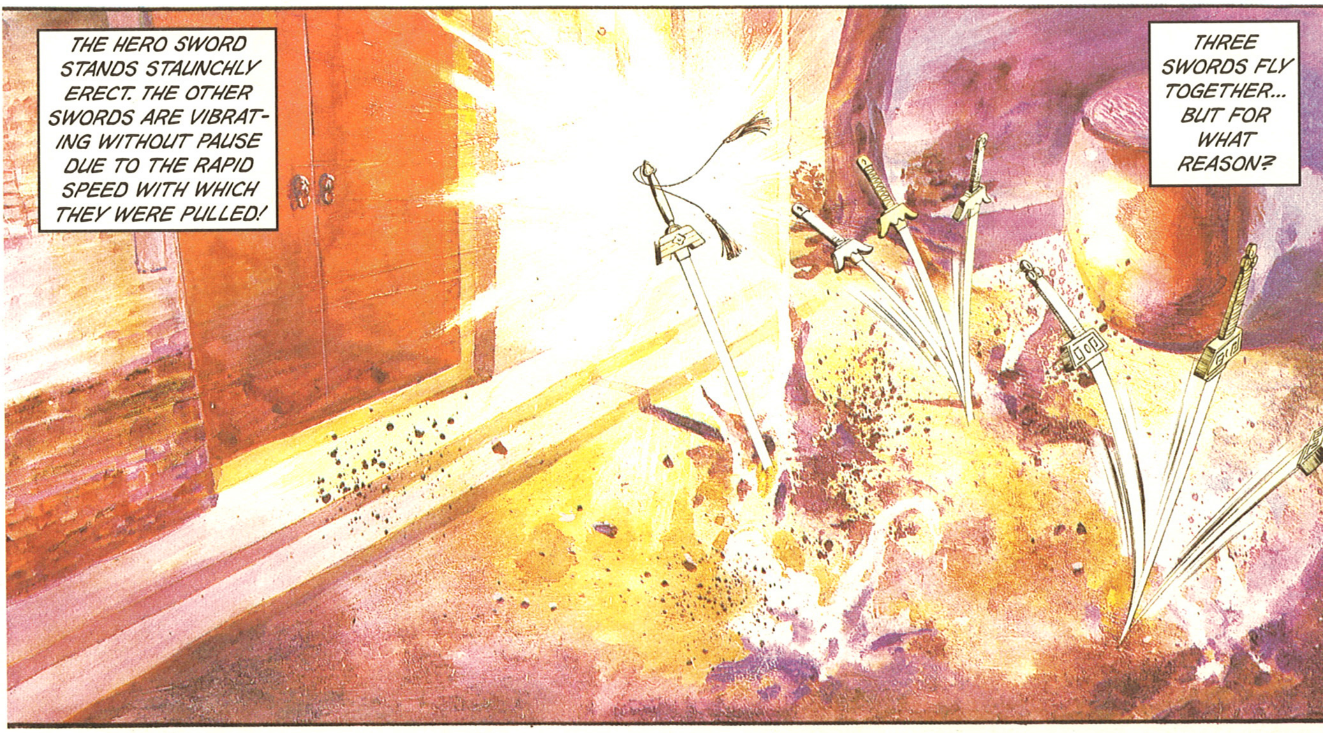

IF ONE IS TRULY SUCCESSFUL, THEN YOUR POWER CAN DESTROY EVERYTHING. IF IT IS BECAUSE OF YOUR SELFISH DESIRE, THEN WHAT ABOUT THE INNOCENT MASSES?
AYE... MY LIFE WILL END SOON, SO EVEN IF I WIN, I STILL DIE...
THE OIL IN THE LAMP BURNS OUT...
THE INSIDE OF THE ROOM GRADUALLY BECOMES DARK...
SWORD SAINT IS DEJECTED. HIS LIFE IS STEPPING FURTHER INTO DARKNESS. LIKE THE OIL IN THE LAMP, HIS TIME IS SLOWLY BURNING OUT.
I MUST DUEL TOMORROW... BUT IN THE END, IS IT THE RIGHT COURSE?
NAMELESS ONCE HAD EVERYTHING, AND HE THEN BRAVELY GAVE IT ALL UP. SUCH COURAGE! NO ONE IN THE WORLD CAN COMPARE WITH THAT!
CAN SWORD SAINT DO THE SAME...?

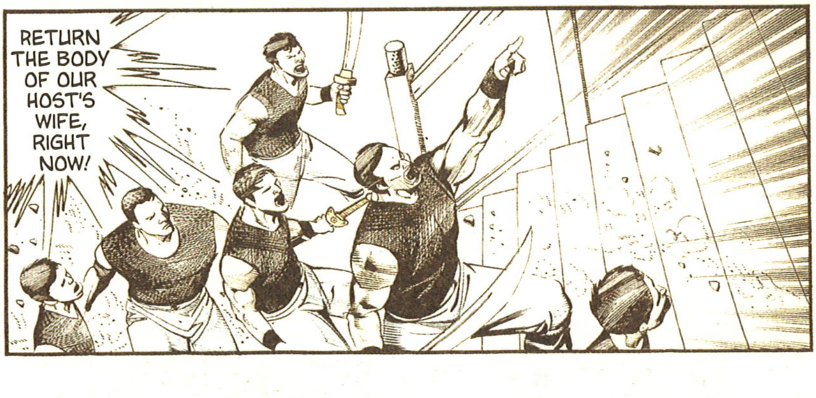

IF IT WERE NOT FOR THE SWORD, THEN I WOULD'VE HAD A MEDIOCRE LIFE! IF IT WERE NOT FOR THE SWORD, THEN WERE THE SEVENTY YEARS NECESSARY? DO I STILL WANT TO SHOW OFF MY SWORD SKILL TOMORROW IN FRONT OF EVERY HERO IN THE WORLD? EVERYTHING HAS BEEN FOR THE SWORD...
SWORD SAINT SITTING IN THE WIND PRESENTS A BLEAK AND LONELY PICTURE...
SHMMM
IT'S SAID THAT AN ORDINARY LIFE IS BEST. ONLY PEOPLE SEEKING GLORY CANNOT ABANDON A LIFETIME SPENT IN PURSUIT. DESPITE YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS IN LIFE, AFTER DEATH WE ARE ALL BURIED IN THE LAND OF THE DEAD.
IMPOSSIBLE! FOR THE SWORD, I HAVE NOT A WORD OF REGRET!

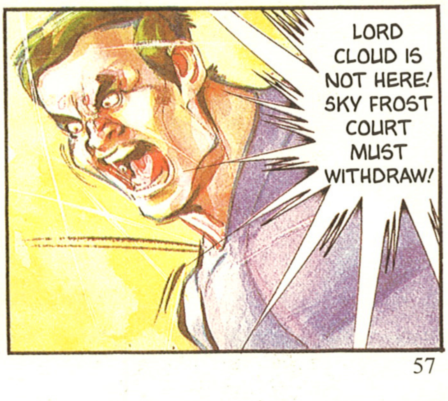

YOU REALLY WANT TO GO?
SWORD SAINT SLOWLY LOOKS UP, HIS EYES FLAMING RED, THE KILLING SPIRIT APPARENT!
ONCE I HAVE DECIDED, I CANNOT POSSIBLY CHANGE MY MIND!
NAMELESS! IF YOU WANT TO SAVE THE MASSES OF THE WORLD, YOU MUST FIRST SLAY ME!
WHOOOSH
SWORD SAINT ANGRILY CUTS HIS HAIR, EACH STRAND BECOMES AN UNCOUNTABLE NUMBER OF SMALL SWORDS, SWARMING WILDLY TO STAB NAMELESS!
AT THE END OF HIS STRENGTH! HE WOULD RATHER DIE BY NAMELESS'S SWORD THAN MAKE ANOTHER DECISION!

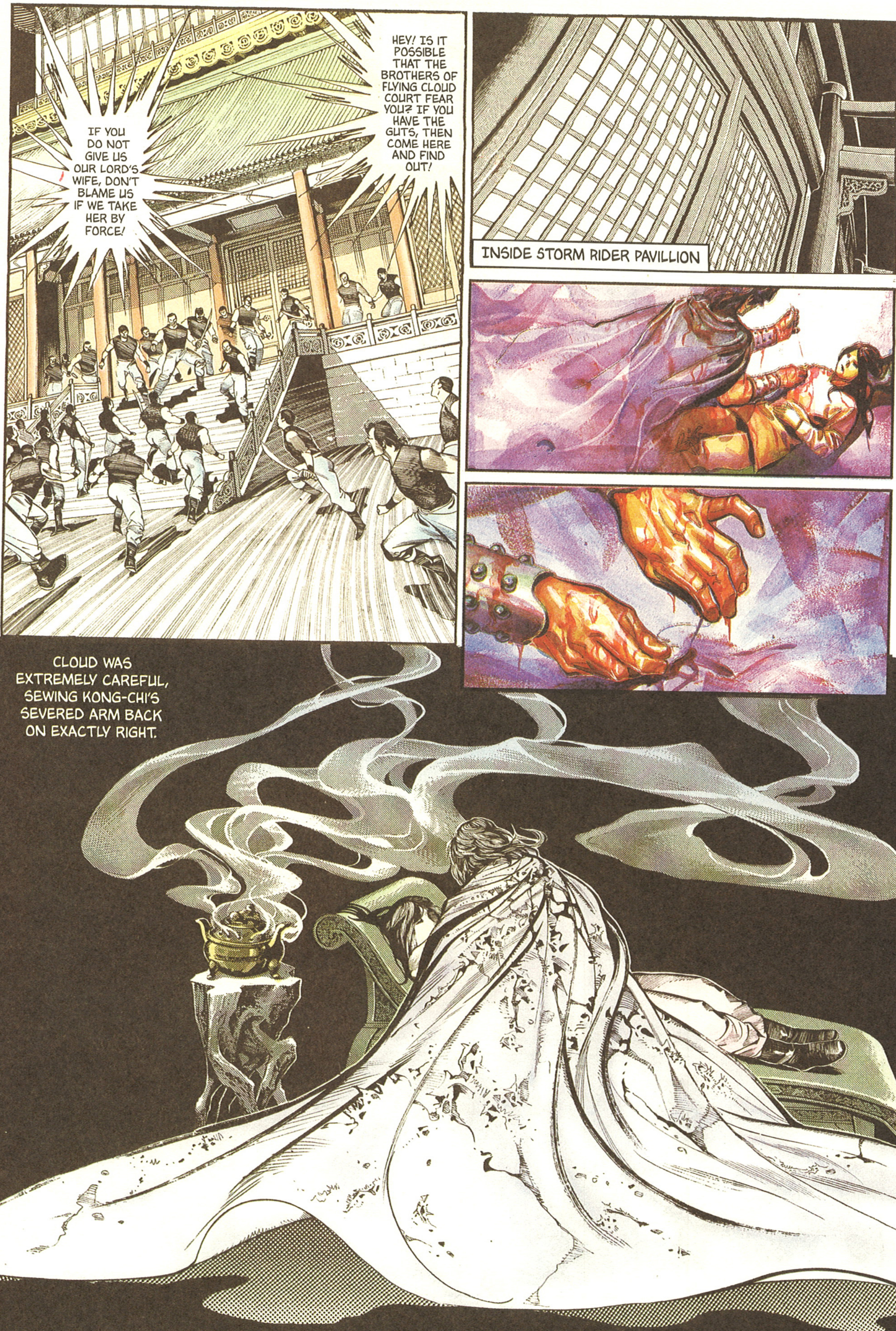

HMM... STUBBORN TO THE END.
LITTLE BROTHER.
PLEASE TELL US, WHICH WAY IS THE WORLD FIGHTING ASSOCIATION?
GO WEST TOWARDS SHADE OF HEAVEN CITY AND FOLLOW THE MOUNTAIN ROAD TO THE TOP.
CLINNG
AHH!
SHINNG
HUH?

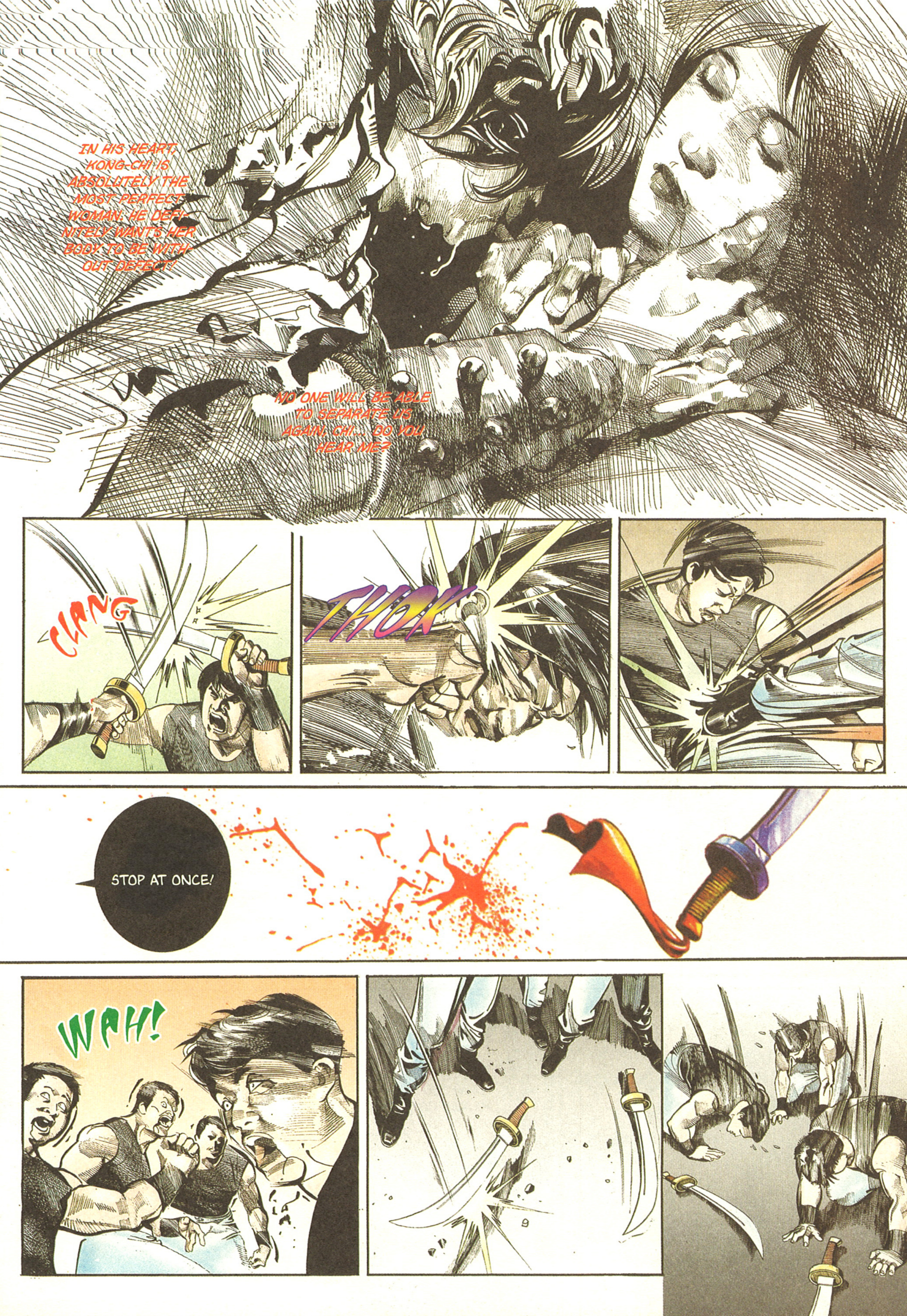

THE THREE SWORDS WERE PULLED BY AN INCOMPREHENSIBLE FORCE. THE SWORDS FLY OUT TOGETHER AND STRIKE DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF NAMELESS'S HOME!

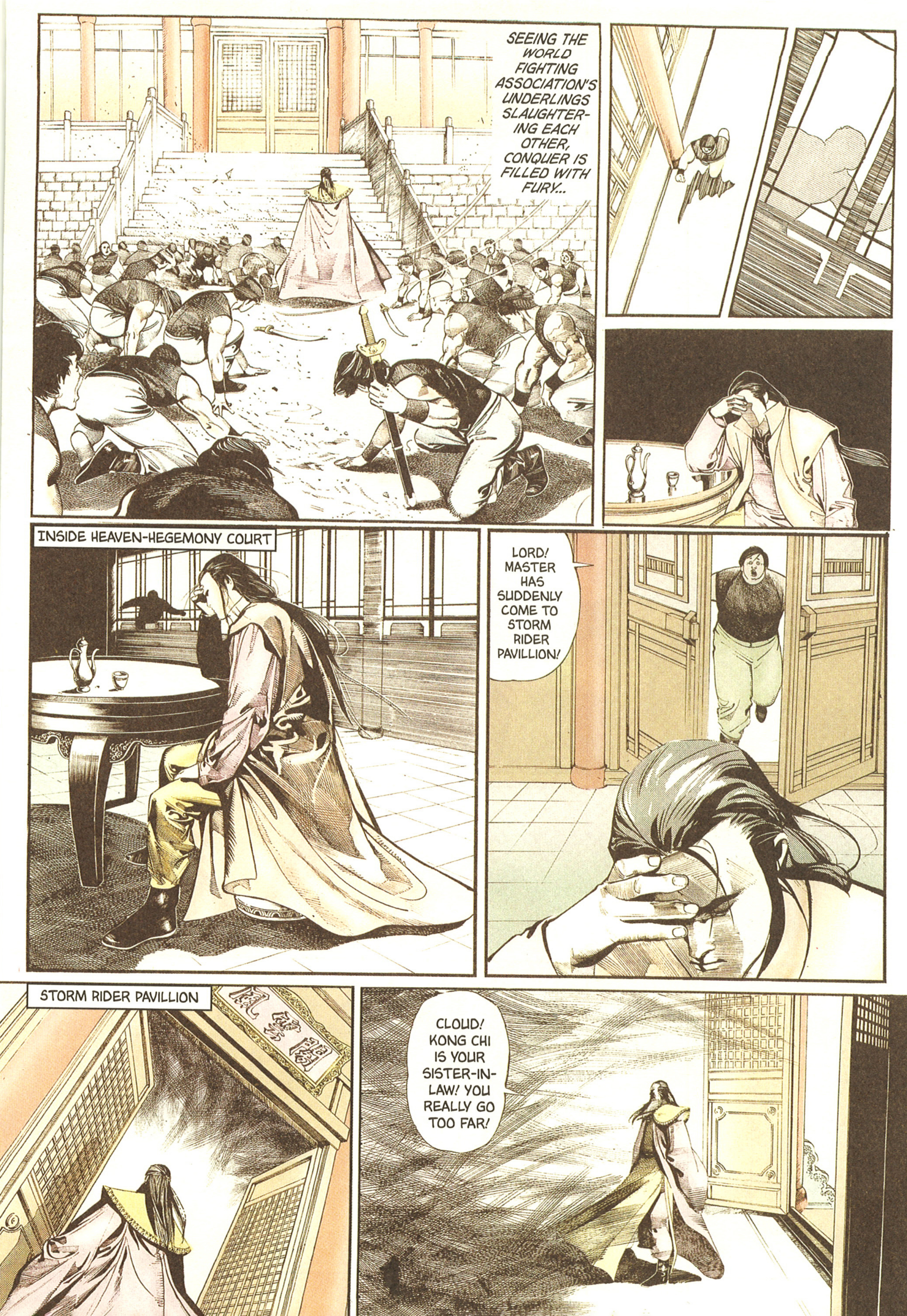

THE HERO SWORD STANDS STAUNCHLY ERECT. THE OTHER SWORDS ARE VIBRATING WITHOUT PAUSE DUE TO THE RAPID SPEED WITH WHICH THEY WERE PULLED!
THREE SWORDS FLY TOGETHER... BUT FOR WHAT REASON?

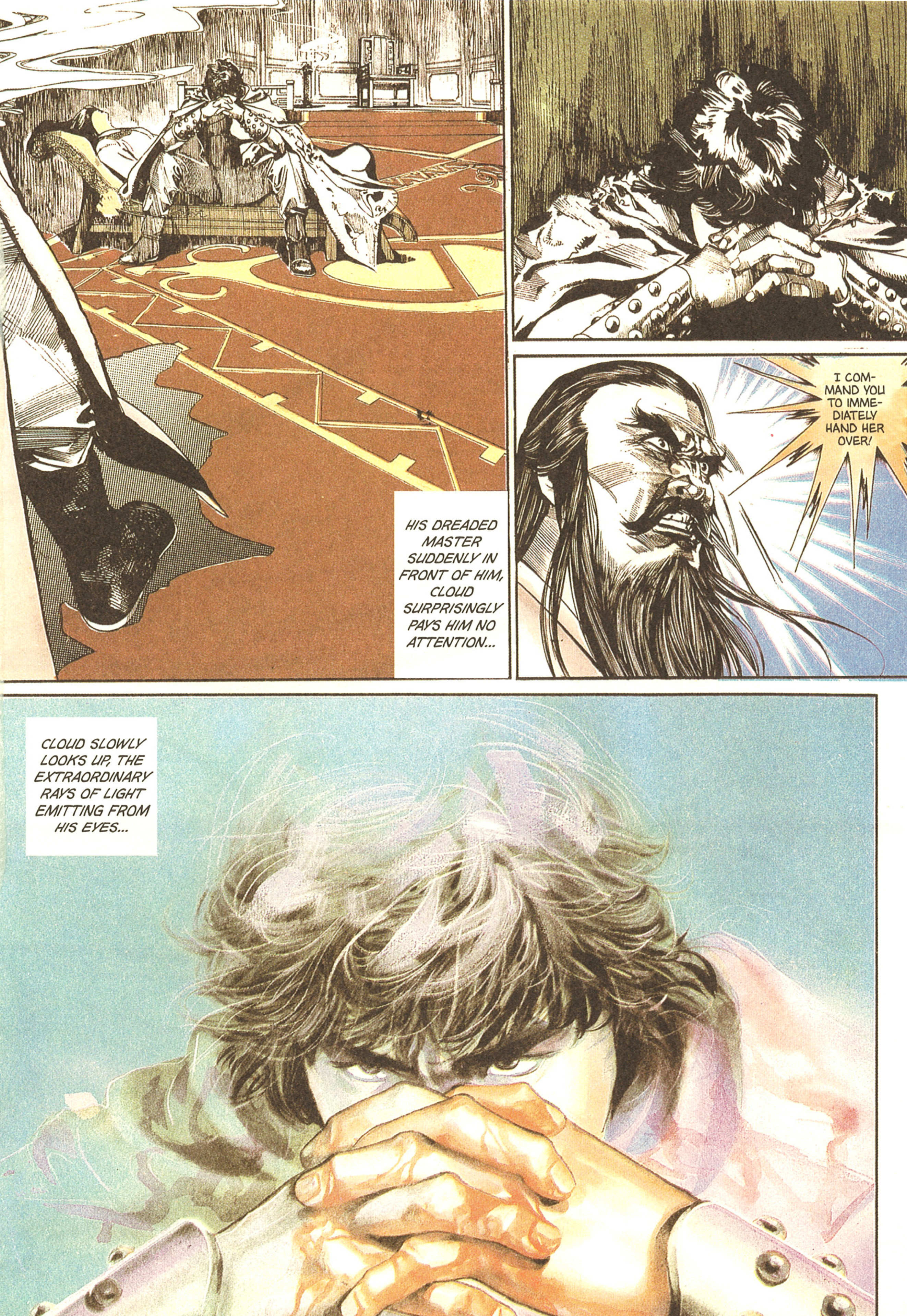

RETURN THE BODY OF OUR HOST'S WIFE, RIGHT NOW!


LORD CLOUD IS NOT HERE! SKY FROST COURT MUST WITHDRAW!

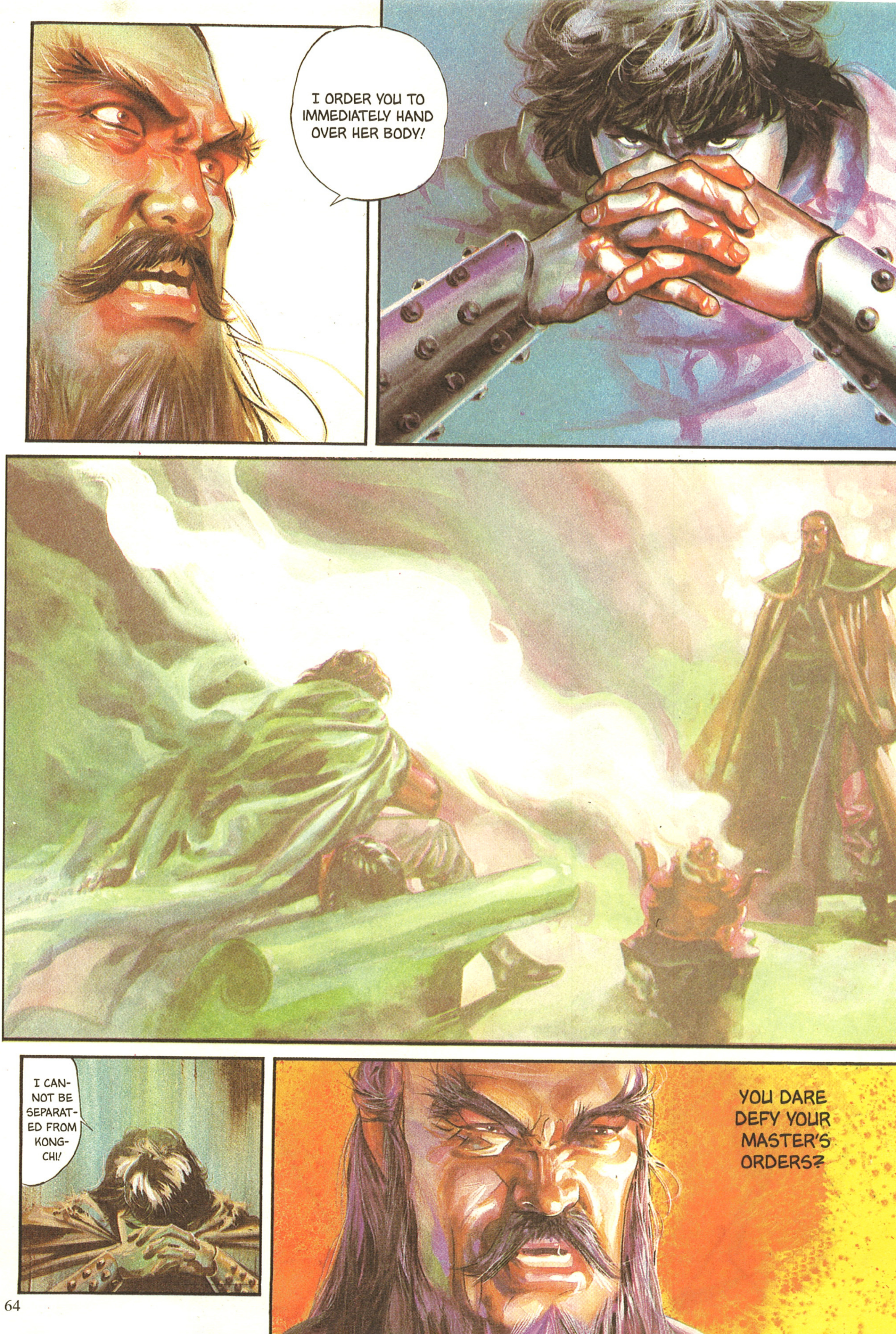

IF YOU DO NOT GIVE US OUR LORD'S WIFE, DON'T BLAME US IF WE TAKE HER BY FORCE!
HEY! IS IT POSSIBLE THAT THE BROTHERS OF FLYING CLOUD COURT FEAR YOU? IF YOU HAVE THE GUTS, THEN COME HERE AND FIND OUT!
INSIDE STORM RIDER PAVILLION
CLOUD WAS EXTREMELY CAREFUL, SEWING KONG-CHI'S SEVERED ARM BACK ON EXACTLY RIGHT.

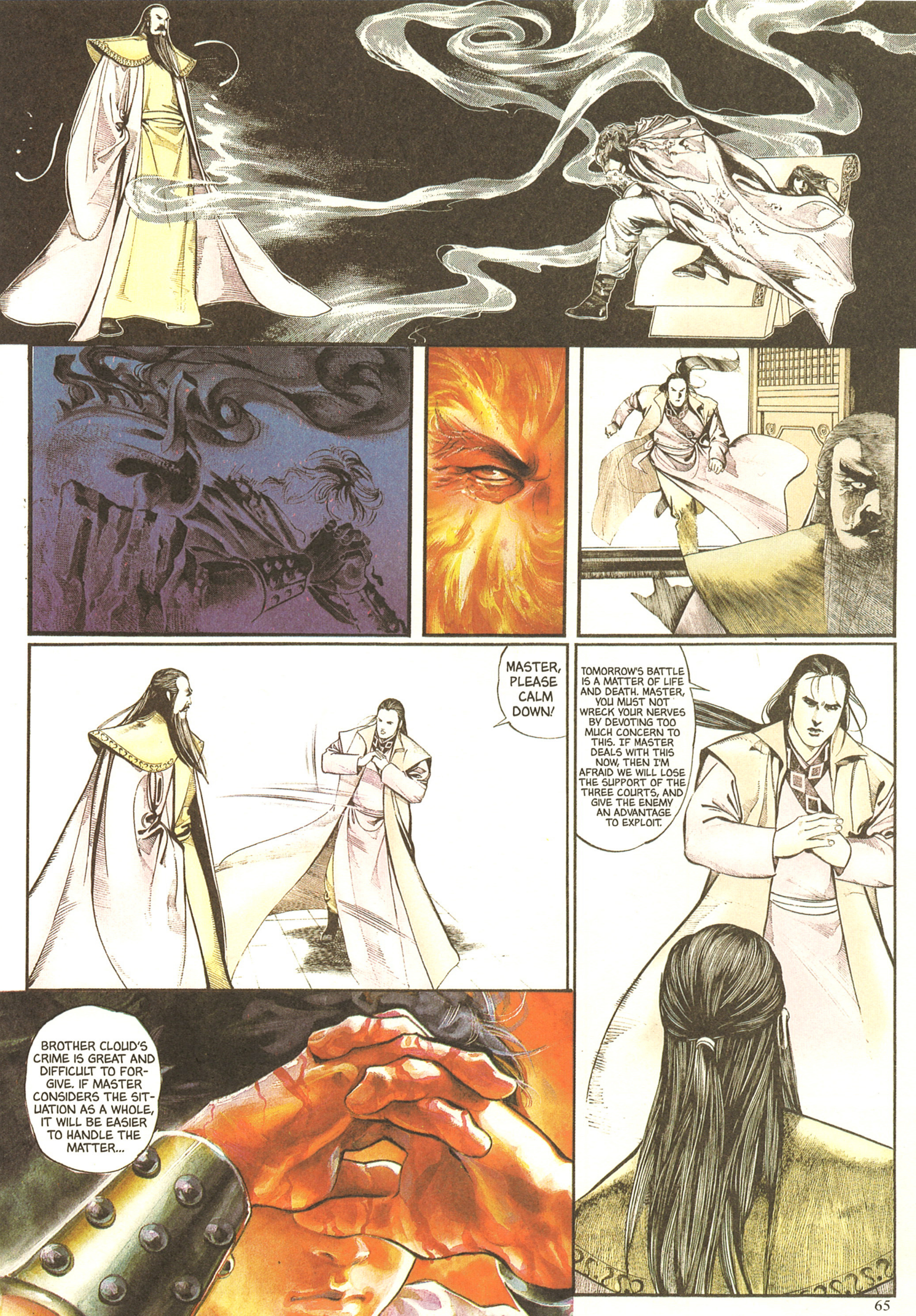

IN HIS HEART, KONG-CHI IS ABSOLUTELY THE MOST PERFECT WOMAN. HE DEFINITELY WANTS HER BODY TO BE WITHOUT DEFECT!
NO ONE WILL BE ABLE TO SEPARATE US AGAIN, CHI... DO YOU HEAR ME?
CLANG
THOK
STOP AT ONCE!
WAH!

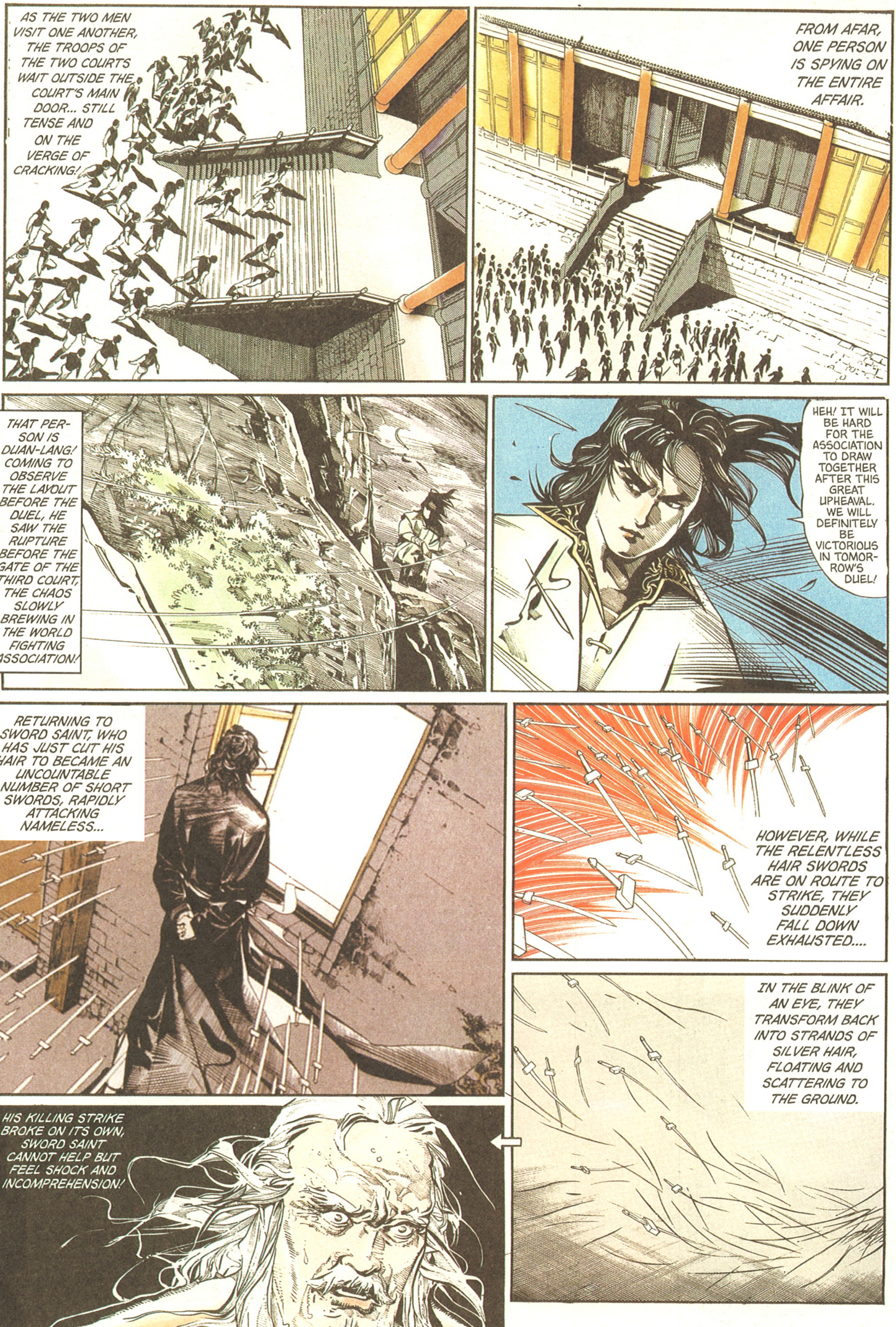

SEEING THE WORLD FIGHTING ASSOCIATION'S UNDERLINGS SLAUGHTERING EACH OTHER, CONQUER IS FILLED WITH FURY...
INSIDE HEAVEN-HEGEMONY COURT
LORD! MASTER HAS SUDDENLY COME TO STORM RIDER PAVILLION!
STORM RIDER PAVILLION
CLOUD! KONG CHI IS YOUR SISTER-IN-LAW! YOU REALLY GO TOO FAR!

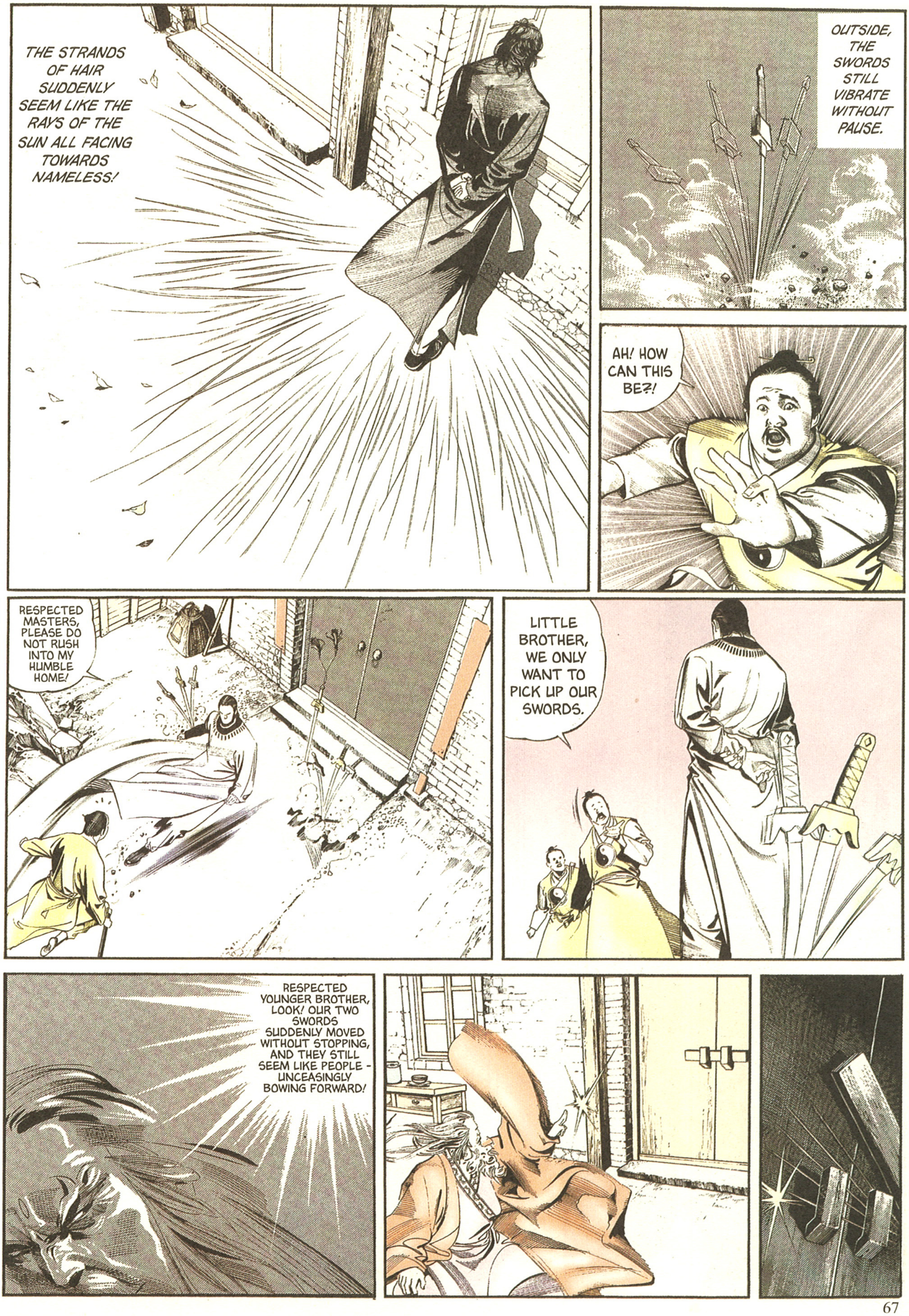

HIS DREADED MASTER SUDDENLY IN FRONT OF HIM, CLOUD SURPRISINGLY PAYS HIM NO ATTENTION...
I COMMAND YOU TO IMMEDIATELY HAND HER OVER!
CLOUD SLOWLY LOOKS UP, THE EXTRAORDINARY RAYS OF LIGHT EMITTING FROM HIS EYES...

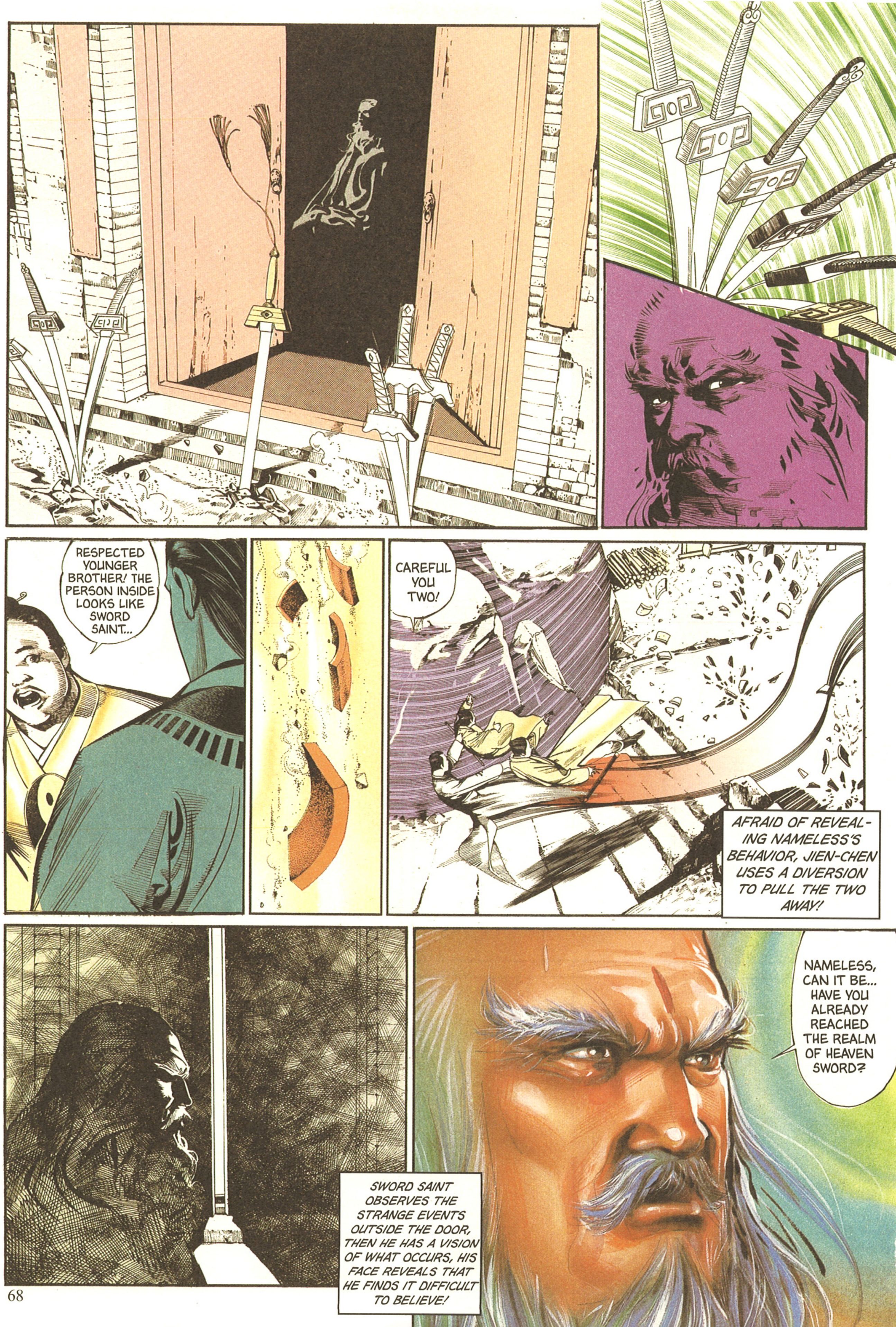
Chapter 22: Ask, Who Is The Best Leader?

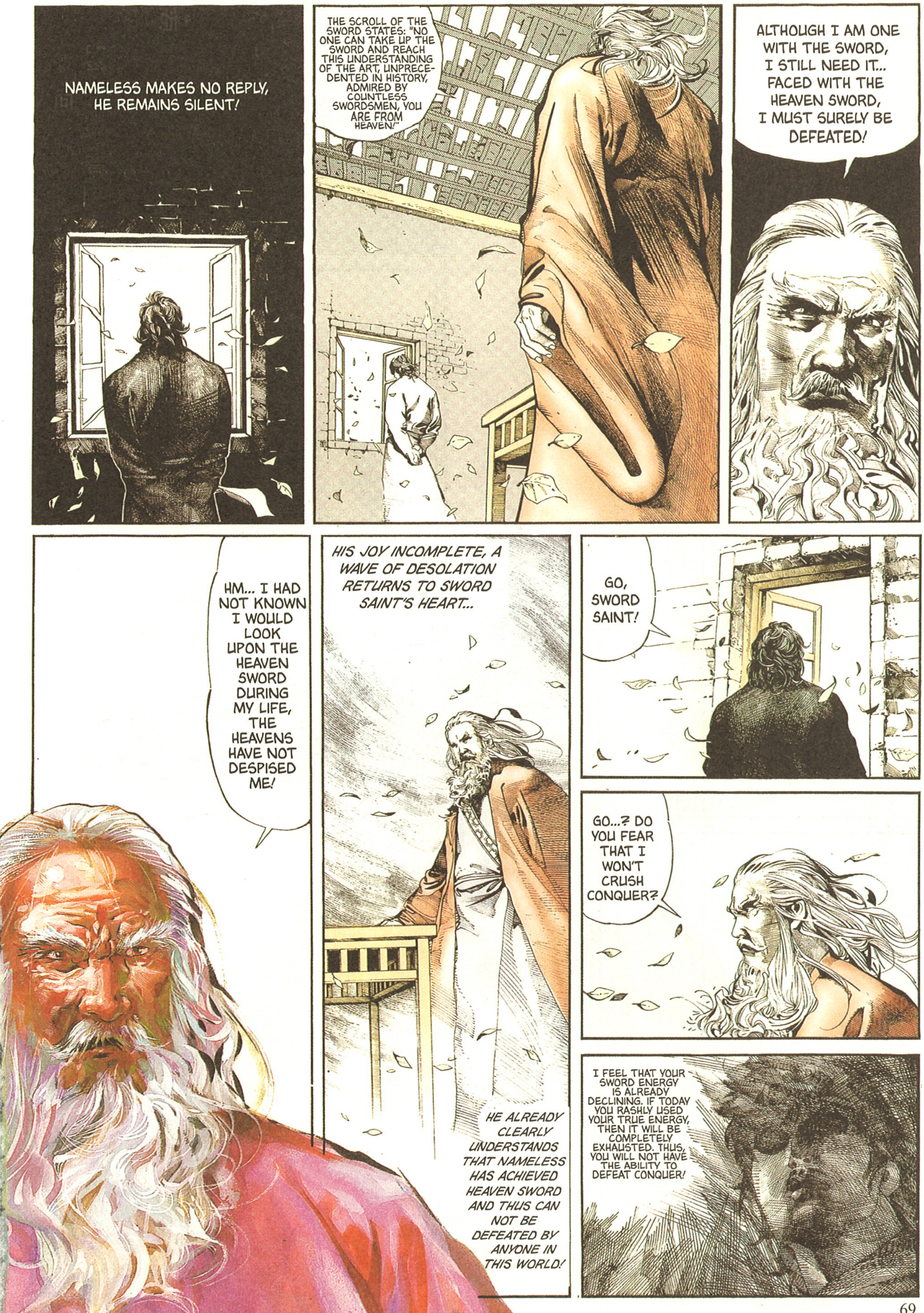

I ORDER YOU TO IMMEDIATELY HAND OVER HER BODY!
I CAN-NOT BE SEPARAT-ED FROM KONG-CHI!
YOU DARE DEFY YOUR MASTER'S ORDERS?

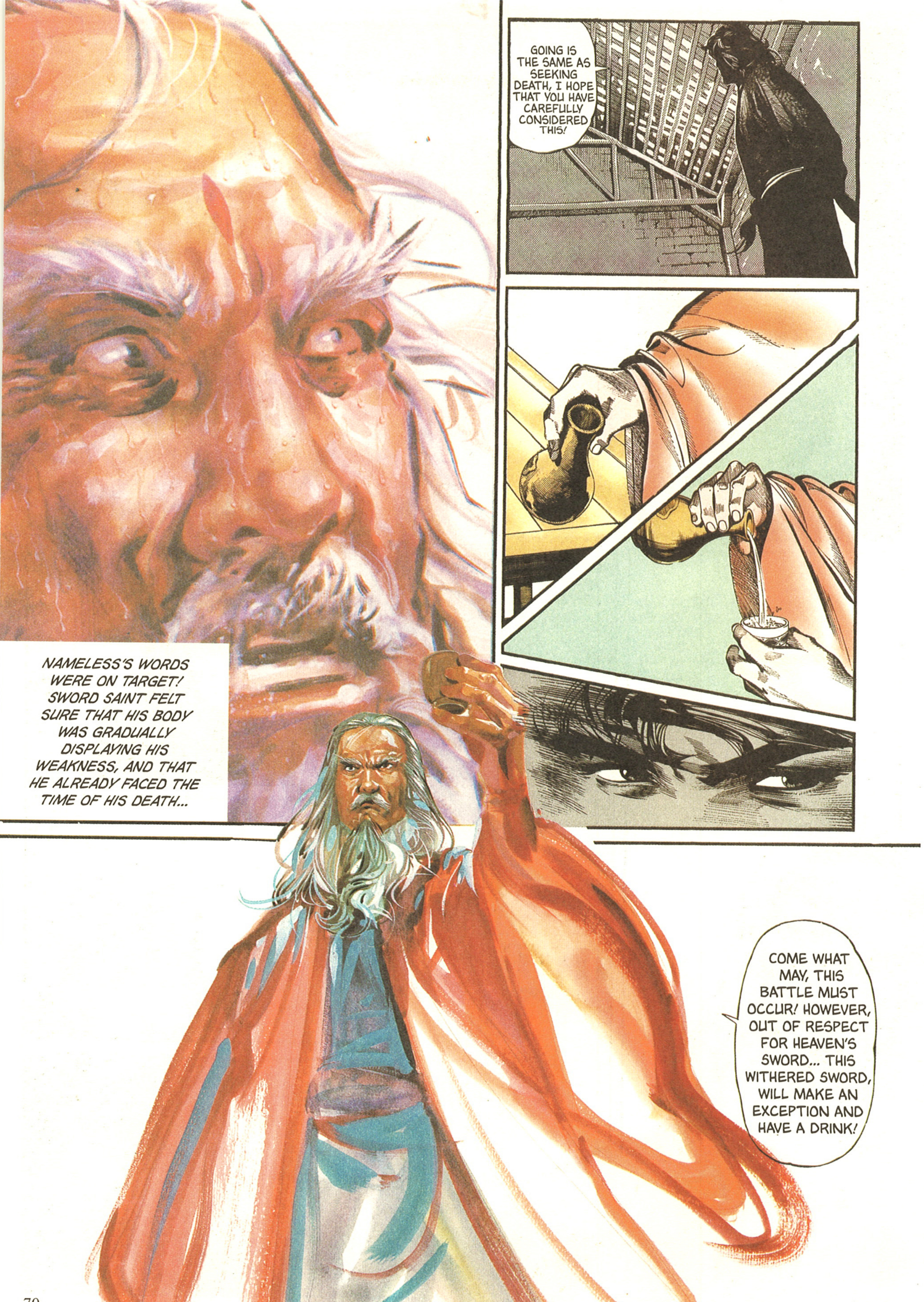

MASTER, PLEASE CALM DOWN!
TOMORROW'S BATTLE IS A MATTER OF LIFE AND DEATH. MASTER, YOU MUST NOT WRECK YOUR NERVES BY DEVOTING TOO MUCH CONCERN TO THIS. IF MASTER DEALS WITH THIS NOW, THEN I'M AFRAID WE WILL LOSE THE SUPPORT OF THE THREE COURTS, AND GIVE THE ENEMY AN ADVANTAGE TO EXPLOIT.
BROTHER CLOUD'S CRIME IS GREAT AND DIFFICULT TO FORGIVE. IF MASTER CONSIDERS THE SITUATION AS A WHOLE, IT WILL BE EASIER TO HANDLE THE MATTER...

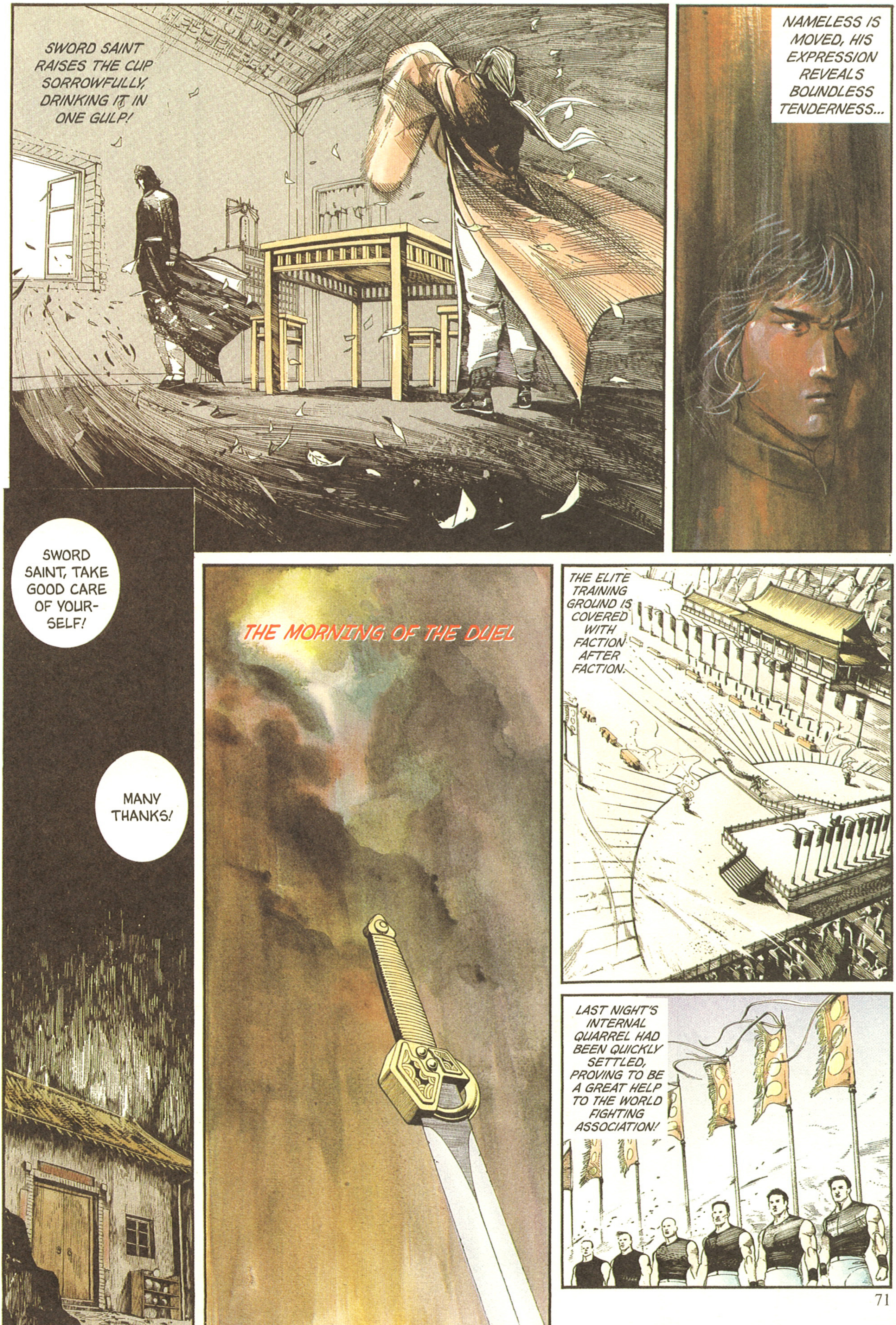

AS THE TWO MEN VISIT ONE ANOTHER, THE TROOPS OF THE TWO COURTS WAIT OUTSIDE THE COURT'S MAIN DOOR... STILL TENSE AND ON THE VERGE OF CRACKING!
FROM AFAR, ONE PERSON IS SPYING ON THE ENTIRE AFFAIR.
THAT PERSON IS DUAN-LANG! COMING TO OBSERVE THE LAYOUT BEFORE THE DUEL, HE SAW THE RUPTURE BEFORE THE GATE OF THE THIRD COURT, THE CHAOS SLOWLY BREWING IN THE WORLD FIGHTING ASSOCIATION!
HEH! IT WILL BE HARD FOR THE ASSOCIATION TO DRAW TOGETHER AFTER THIS GREAT UPHEAVAL. WE WILL DEFINITELY BE VICTORIOUS IN TOMORROW'S DUEL!
RETURNING TO SWORD SAINT, WHO HAS JUST CUT HIS HAIR TO BECAME AN UNCOUNTABLE NUMBER OF SHORT SWORDS, RAPIDLY ATTACKING NAMELESS...
HOWEVER, WHILE THE RELENTLESS HAIR SWORDS ARE ON ROUTE TO STRIKE, THEY SUDDENLY FALL DOWN EXHAUSTED....
IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE, THEY TRANSFORM BACK INTO STRANDS OF SILVER HAIR, FLOATING AND SCATTERING TO THE GROUND.
HIS KILLING STRIKE BROKE ON IT'S OWN, SWORD SAINT CANNOT HELP BUT FEEL SHOCK AND INCOMPREHENSION!

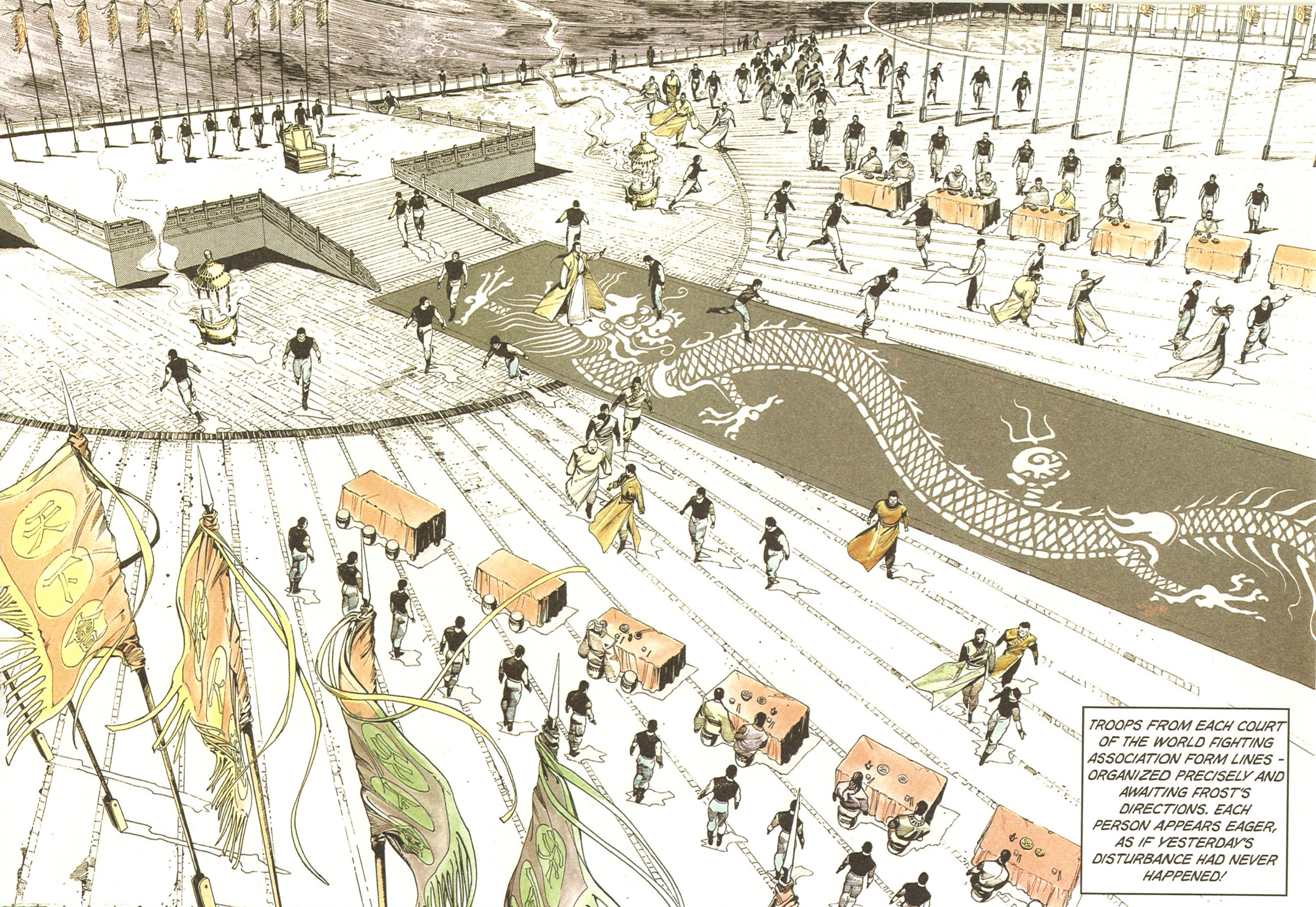

THE STRANDS OF HAIR SUDDENLY SEEM LIKE THE RAYS OF THE SUN ALL FACING TOWARDS NAMELESS!
OUTSIDE, THE SWORDS STILL VIBRATE WITHOUT PAUSE.
AH! HOW CAN THIS BE?!
RESPECTED MASTERS, PLEASE DO NOT RUSH INTO MY HUMBLE HOME!
LITTLE BROTHER, WE ONLY WANT TO PICK UP OUR SWORDS.
RESPECTED YOUNGER BROTHER, LOOK! OUR TWO SWORDS SUDDENLY MOVED WITHOUT STOPPING, AND THEY STILL SEEM LIKE PEOPLE - UNCEASINGLY BOWING FORWARD!

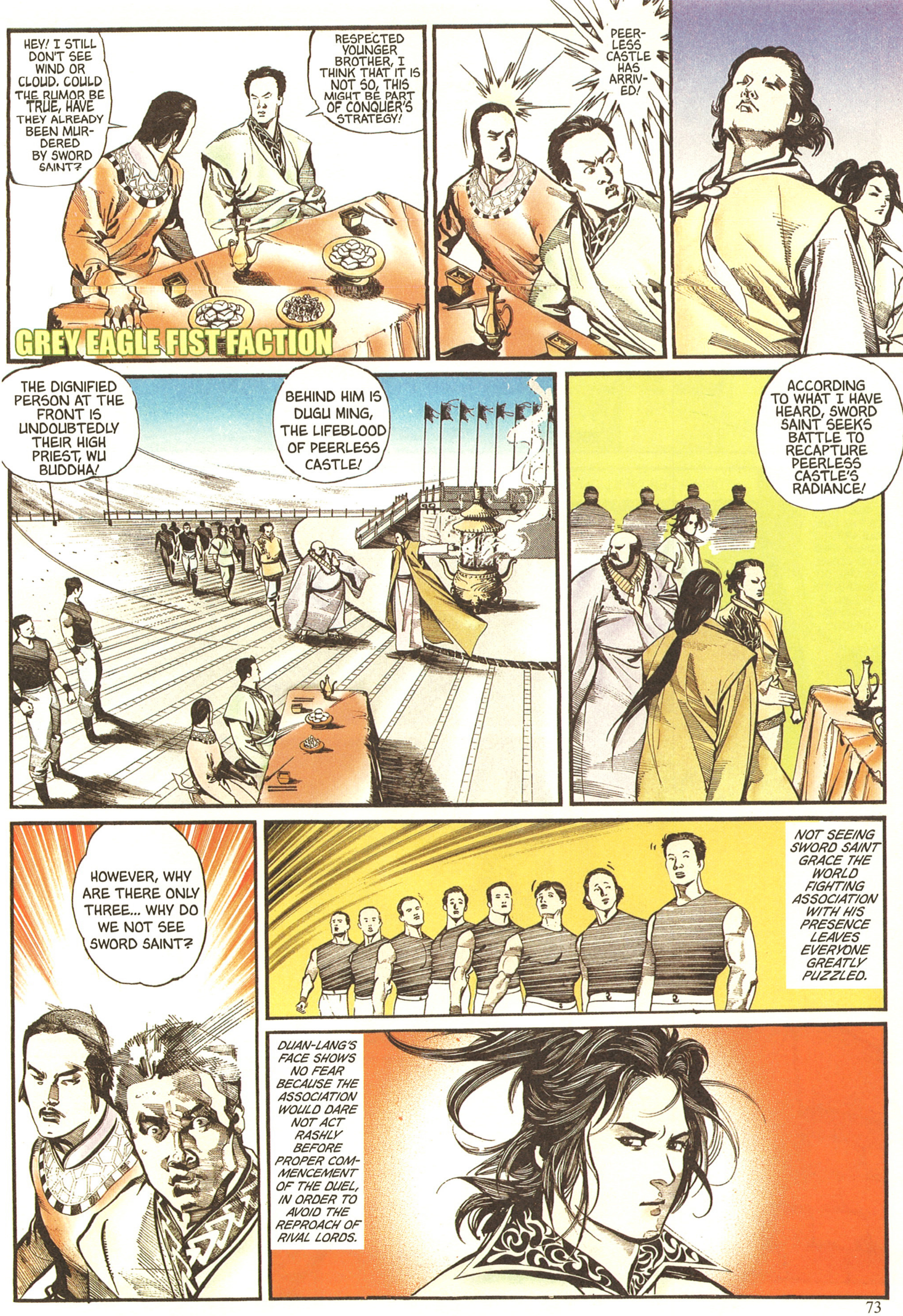

RESPECTED YOUNGER BROTHER! THE PERSON INSIDE LOOKS LIKE SWORD SAINT...
CAREFUL YOU TWO!
AFRAID OF REVEALING NAMELESS'S BEHAVIOR, JIEN-CHEN USES A DIVERSION TO PULL THE TWO AWAY!
SWORD SAINT OBSERVES THE STRANGE EVENTS OUTSIDE THE DOOR, THEN HE HAS A VISION OF WHAT OCCURS, HIS FACE REVEALS THAT HE FINDS IT DIFFICULT TO BELIEVE!
NAMELESS, CAN IT BE... HAVE YOU ALREADY REACHED THE REALM OF HEAVEN SWORD?

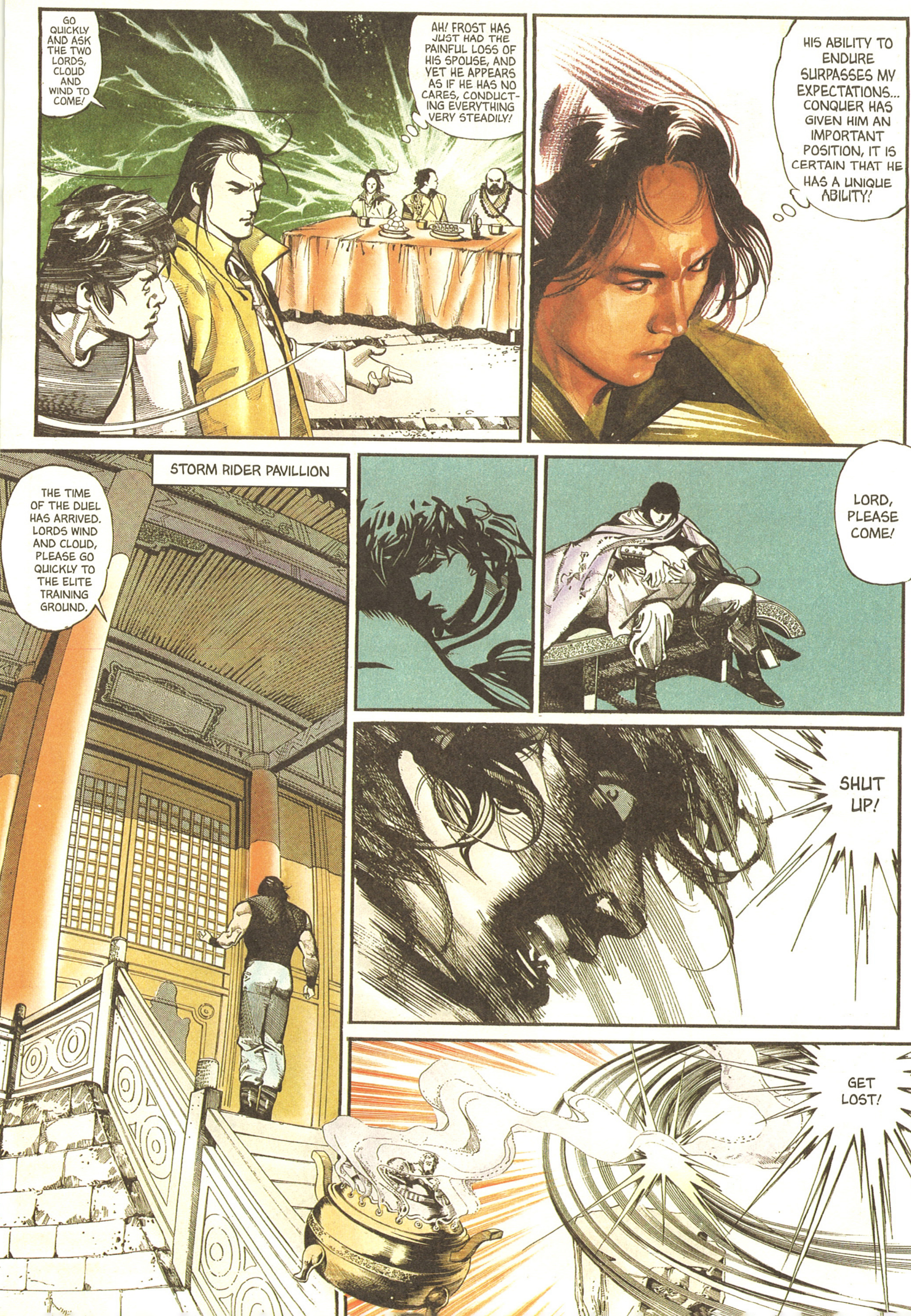

NAMELESS MAKES NO REPLY, HE REMAINS SILENT!
THE SCROLL OF THE SWORD STATES: "NO ONE CAN TAKE UP THE SWORD AND REACH THIS UNDERSTANDING OF THE ART, UNPRECEDENTED IN HISTORY, ADMIRED BY COUNTLESS SWORDSMEN, YOU ARE FROM HEAVEN!"
ALTHOUGH I AM ONE WITH THE SWORD, I STILL NEED IT... FACED WITH THE HEAVEN SWORD, I MUST SURELY BE DEFEATED!
HM... I HAD NOT KNOWN I WOULD LOOK UPON THE HEAVEN SWORD DURING MY LIFE, THE HEAVENS HAVE NOT DESPISED ME!
HIS JOY INCOMPLETE, A WAVE OF DESOLATION RETURNS TO SWORD SAINT'S HEART...
HE ALREADY CLEARLY UNDERSTANDS THAT NAMELESS HAS ACHIEVED HEAVEN SWORD AND THUS CAN NOT BE DEFEATED BY ANYONE IN THIS WORLD!
GO, SWORD SAINT!
GO...? DO YOU FEAR THAT I WON'T CRUSH CONQUER?
I FEEL THAT YOUR SWORD ENERGY IS ALREADY DECLINING. IF TODAY YOU RASHLY USED YOUR TRUE ENERGY, THEN IT WILL BE COMPLETELY EXHAUSTED. THUS, YOU WILL NOT HAVE THE ABILITY TO DEFEAT CONQUER!

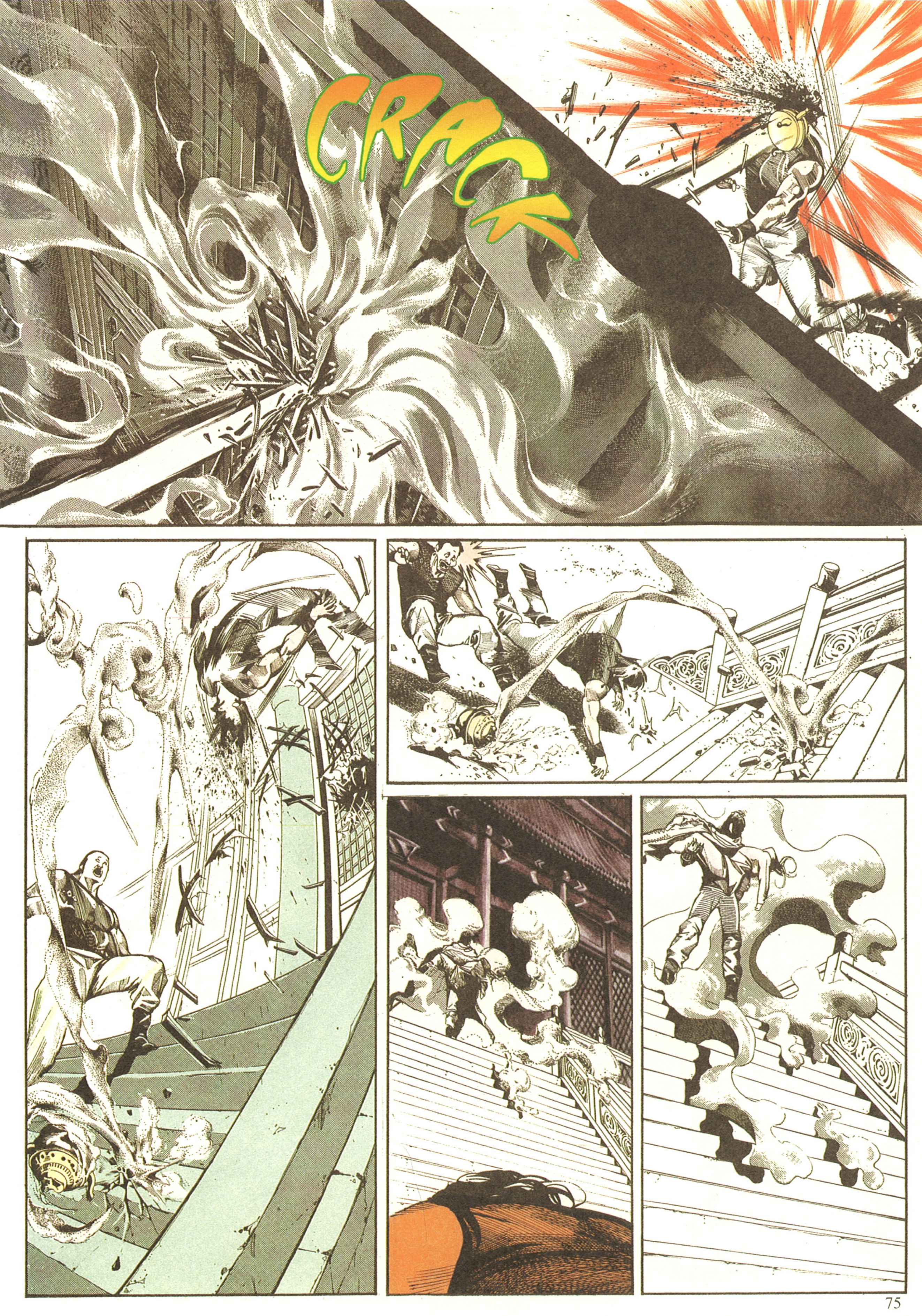

GOING IS THE SAME AS SEEKING DEATH, I HOPE THAT YOU HAVE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED THIS!
NAMELESS'S WORDS WERE ON TARGET! SWORD SAINT FELT SURE THAT HIS BODY WAS GRADUALLY DISPLAYING HIS WEAKNESS, AND THAT HE ALREADY FACED THE TIME OF HIS DEATH...
COME WHAT MAY, THIS BATTLE MUST OCCUR! HOWEVER, OUT OF RESPECT FOR HEAVEN'S SWORD... THIS WITHERED SWORD, WILL MAKE AN EXCEPTION AND HAVE A DRINK!


SWORD SAINT RAISES THE CUP SORROWFULLY, DRINKING IT IN ONE GULP!
NAMELESS IS MOVED, HIS EXPRESSION REVEALS BOUNDLESS TENDERNESS...
SWORD SAINT, TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOURSELF!
MANY THANKS!
THE MORNING OF THE DUEL
THE ELITE TRAINING GROUND IS COVERED WITH FACTION AFTER FACTION.
LAST NIGHT'S INTERNAL QUARREL HAD BEEN QUICKLY SETTLED, PROVING TO BE A GREAT HELP TO THE WORLD FIGHTING ASSOCIATION!


天下會
TROOPS FROM EACH COURT OF THE WORLD FIGHTING ASSOCIATION FORM LINES - ORGANIZED PRECISELY AND AWAITING FROST'S DIRECTIONS. EACH PERSON APPEARS EAGER, AS IF YESTERDAY'S DISTURBANCE HAD NEVER HAPPENED!


HEY! I STILL DON'T SEE WIND OR CLOUD. COULD THE RUMOR BE TRUE, HAVE THEY ALREADY BEEN MURDERED BY SWORD SAINT?
RESPECTED YOUNGER BROTHER, I THINK THAT IT IS NOT SO, THIS MIGHT BE PART OF CONQUER'S STRATEGY!
GREY EAGLE FIST FACTION
PEERLESS CASTLE HAS ARRIVED!
THE DIGNIFIED PERSON AT THE FRONT IS UNDOUBTEDLY THEIR HIGH PRIEST, WU BUDDHA!
BEHIND HIM IS DUGU MING, THE LIFEBLOOD OF PEERLESS CASTLE!
ACCORDING TO WHAT I HAVE HEARD, SWORD SAINT SEEKS BATTLE TO RECAPTURE PEERLESS CASTLE'S RADIANCE!
HOWEVER, WHY ARE THERE ONLY THREE... WHY DO WE NOT SEE SWORD SAINT?
NOT SEEING SWORD SAINT GRACE THE WORLD FIGHTING ASSOCIATION WITH HIS PRESENCE LEAVES EVERYONE GREATLY PUZZLED.
DUAN-LANG'S FACE SHOWS NO FEAR BECAUSE THE ASSOCIATION WOULD DARE NOT ACT RASHLY BEFORE PROPER COMMENCEMENT OF THE DUEL, IN ORDER TO AVOID THE REPROACH OF RIVAL LORDS.


GO QUICKLY AND ASK THE TWO LORDS, CLOUD AND WIND TO COME!
AH! FROST HAS JUST HAD THE PAINFUL LOSS OF HIS SPOUSE, AND YET HE APPEARS AS IF HE HAS NO CARES, CONDUCTING EVERYTHING VERY STEADILY!
HIS ABILITY TO ENDURE SURPASSES MY EXPECTATIONS... CONQUER HAS GIVEN HIM AN IMPORTANT POSITION, IT IS CERTAIN THAT HE HAS A UNIQUE ABILITY!
STORM RIDER PAVILLION
THE TIME OF THE DUEL HAS ARRIVED. LORDS WIND AND CLOUD, PLEASE GO QUICKLY TO THE ELITE TRAINING GROUND.
LORD, PLEASE COME!
SHUT UP!
GET LOST!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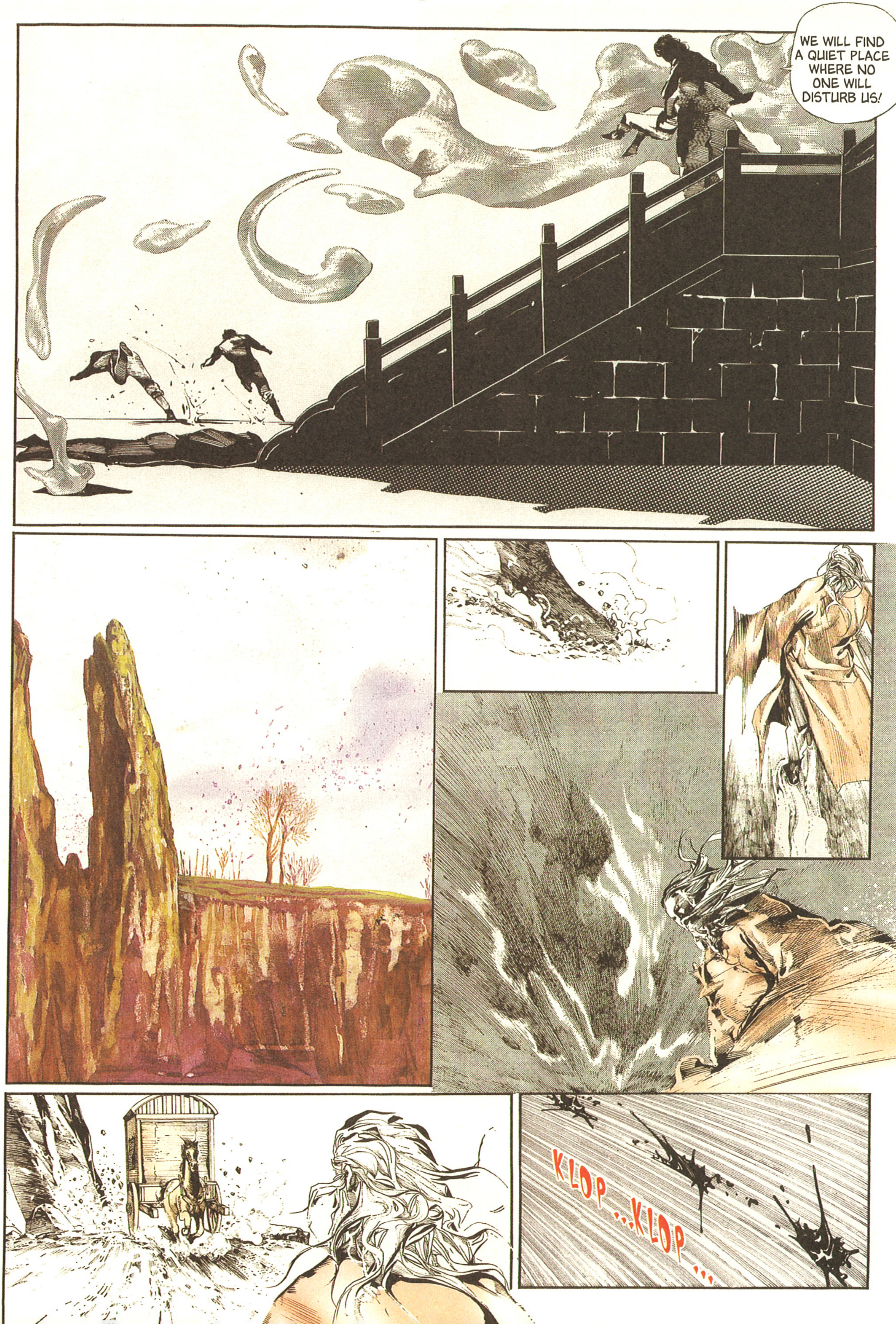
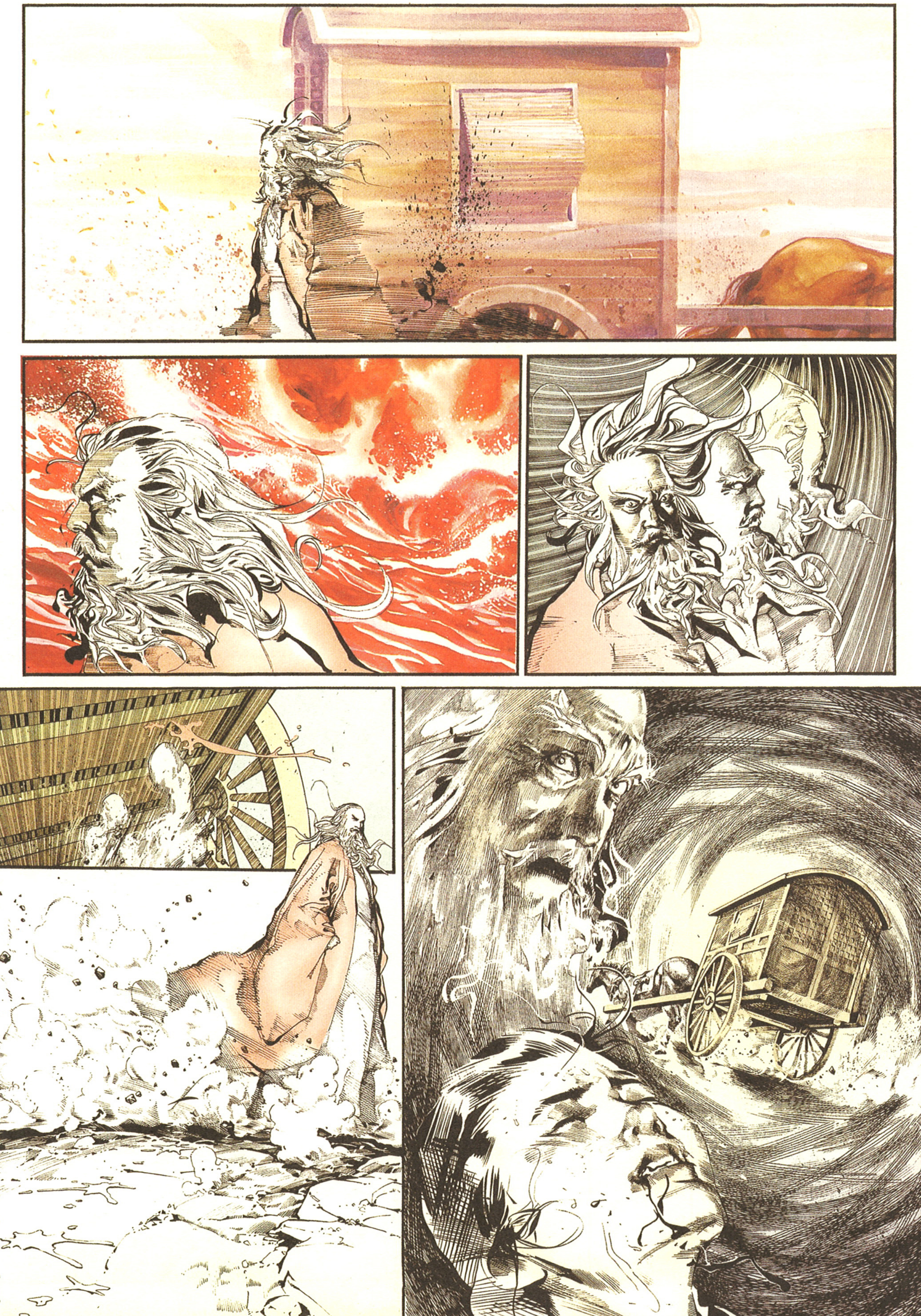
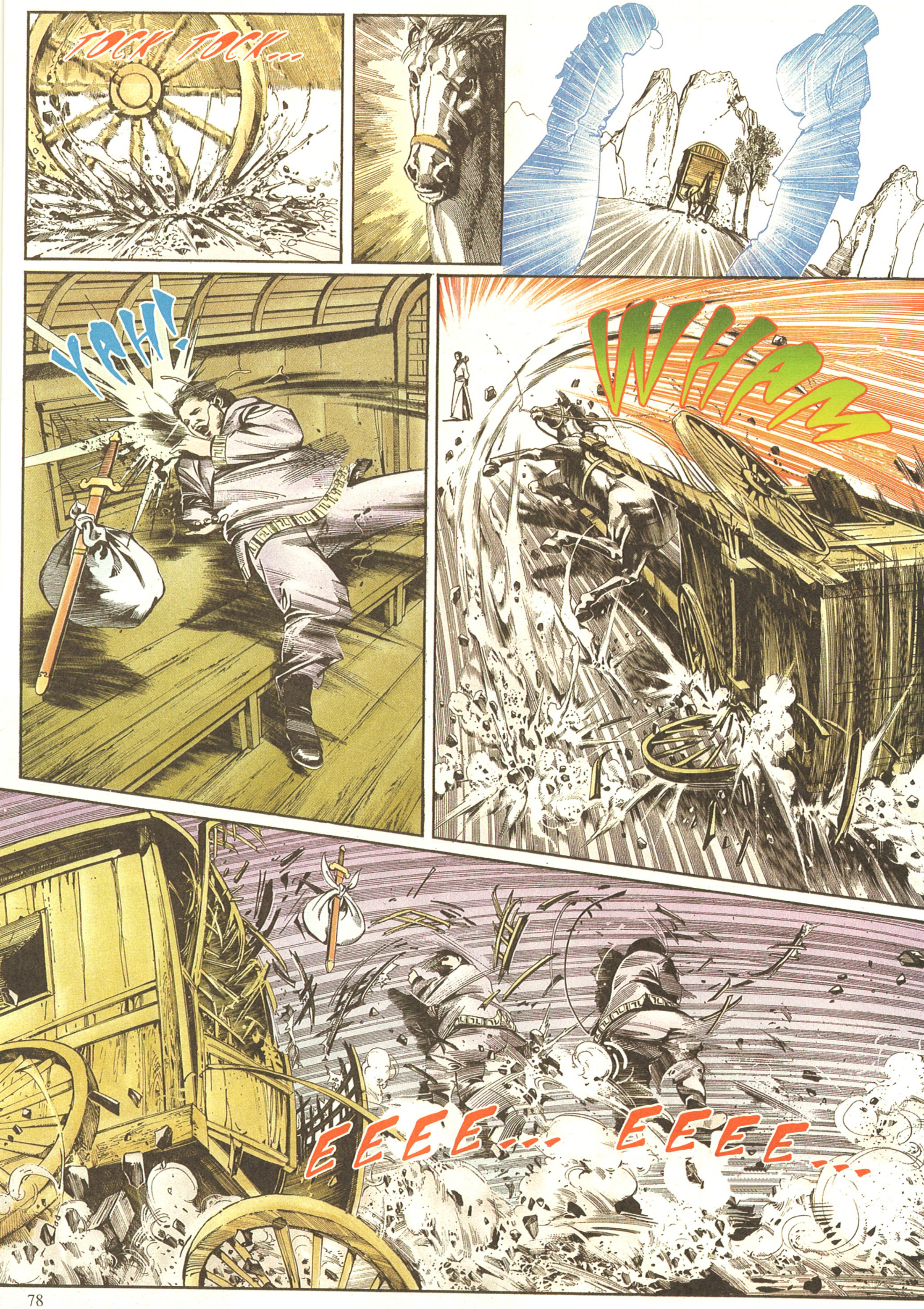
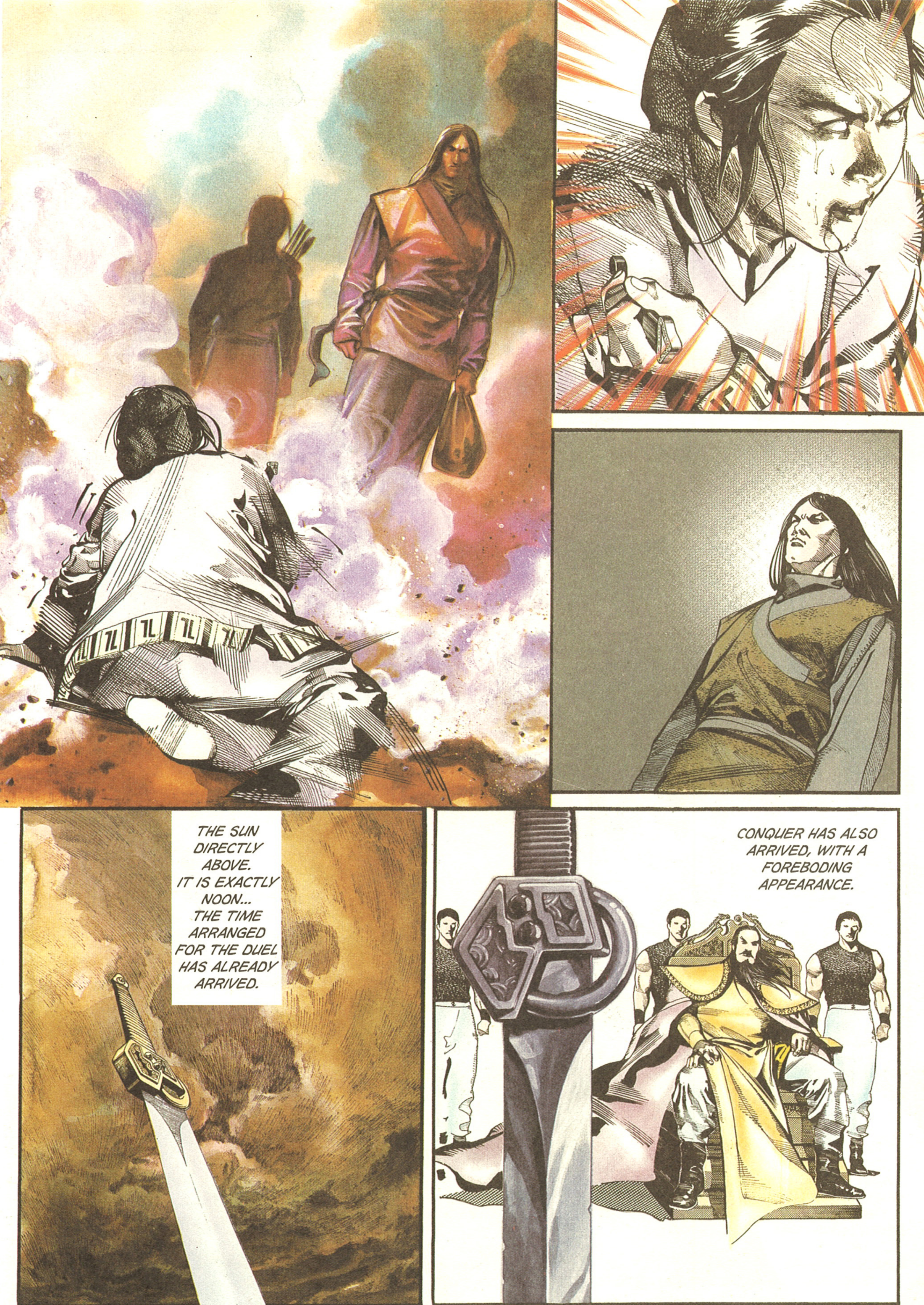
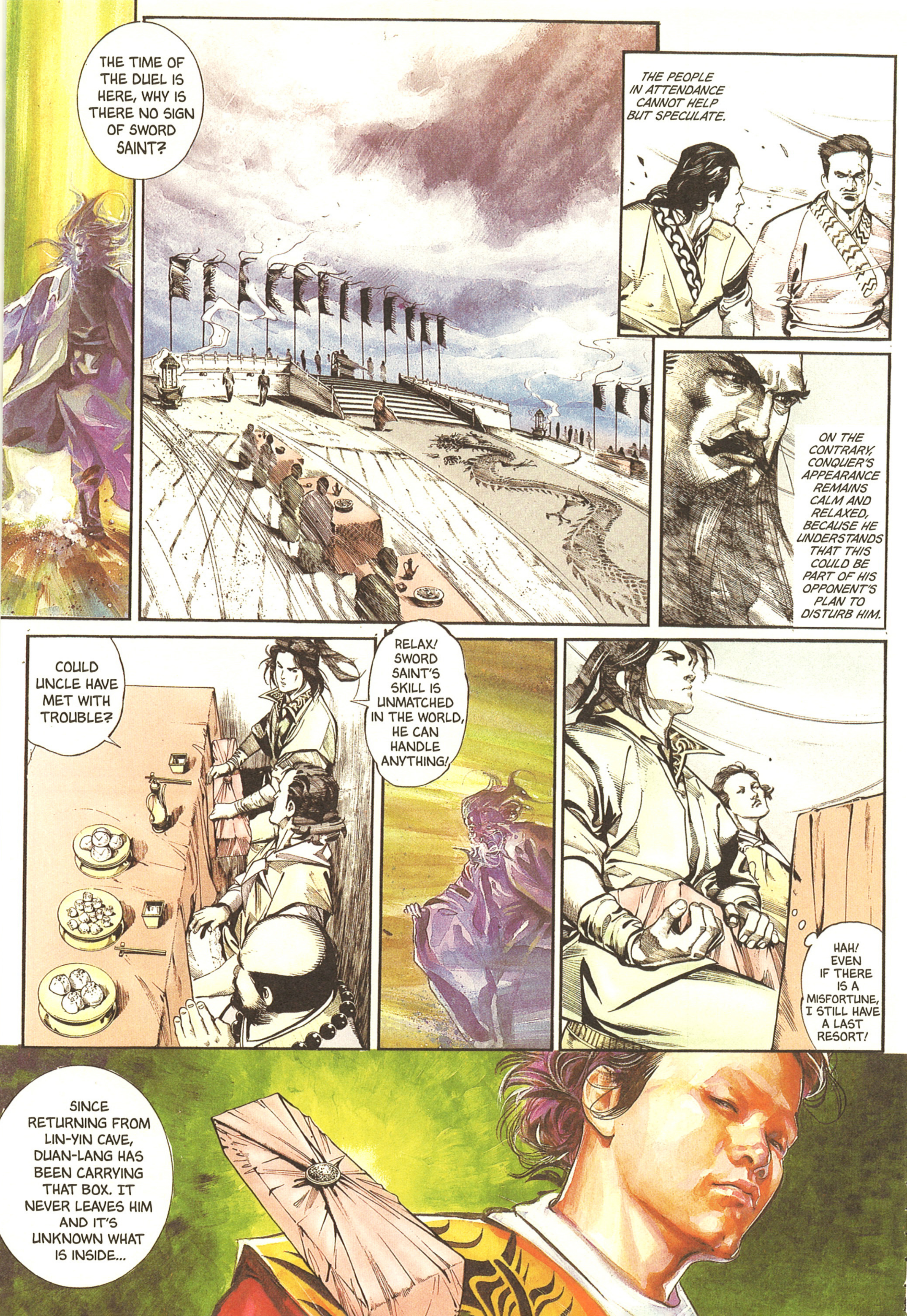
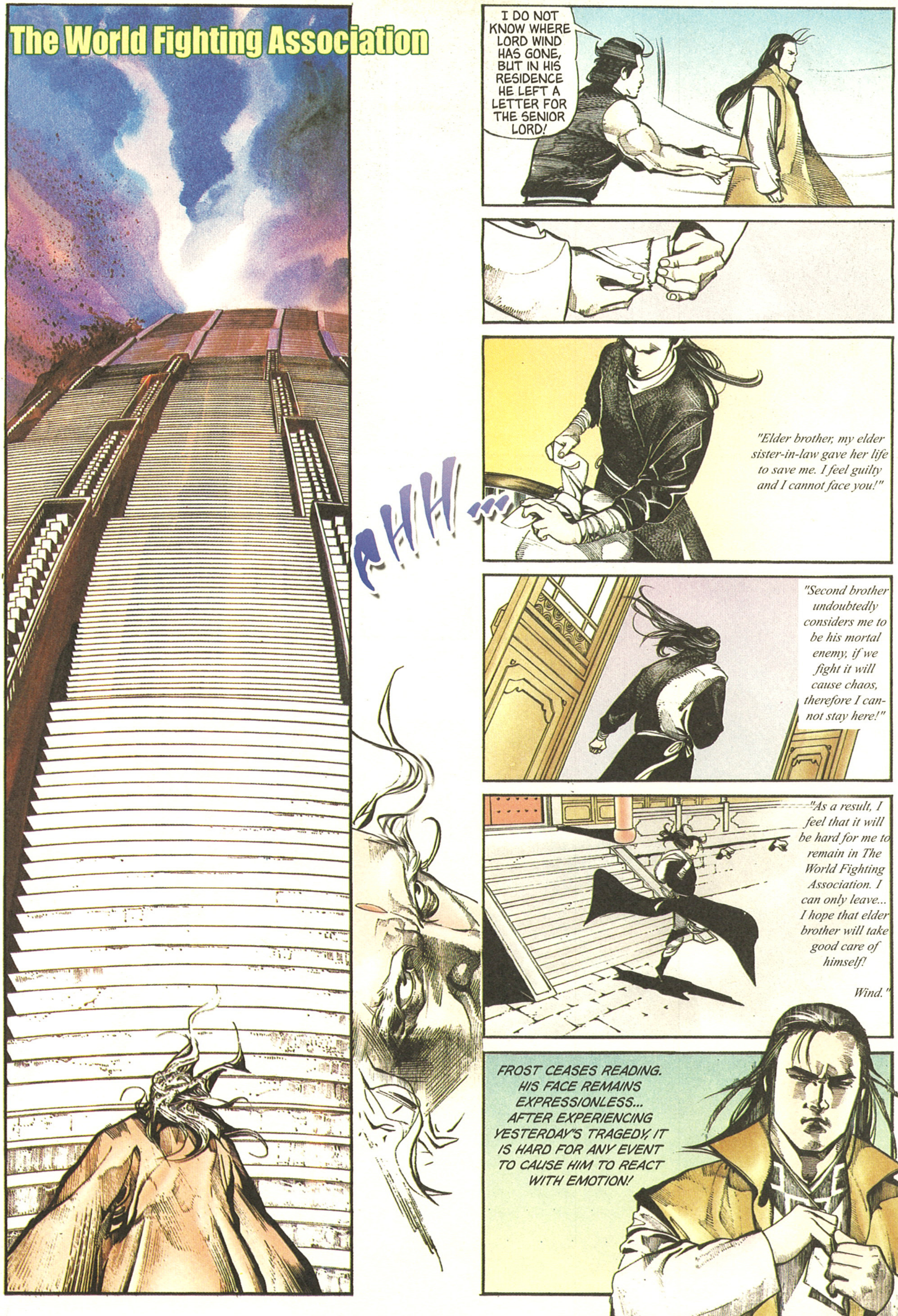

WE WILL FIND A QUIET PLACE WHERE NO ONE WILL DISTURB US!
KLOP ...KLOP ...

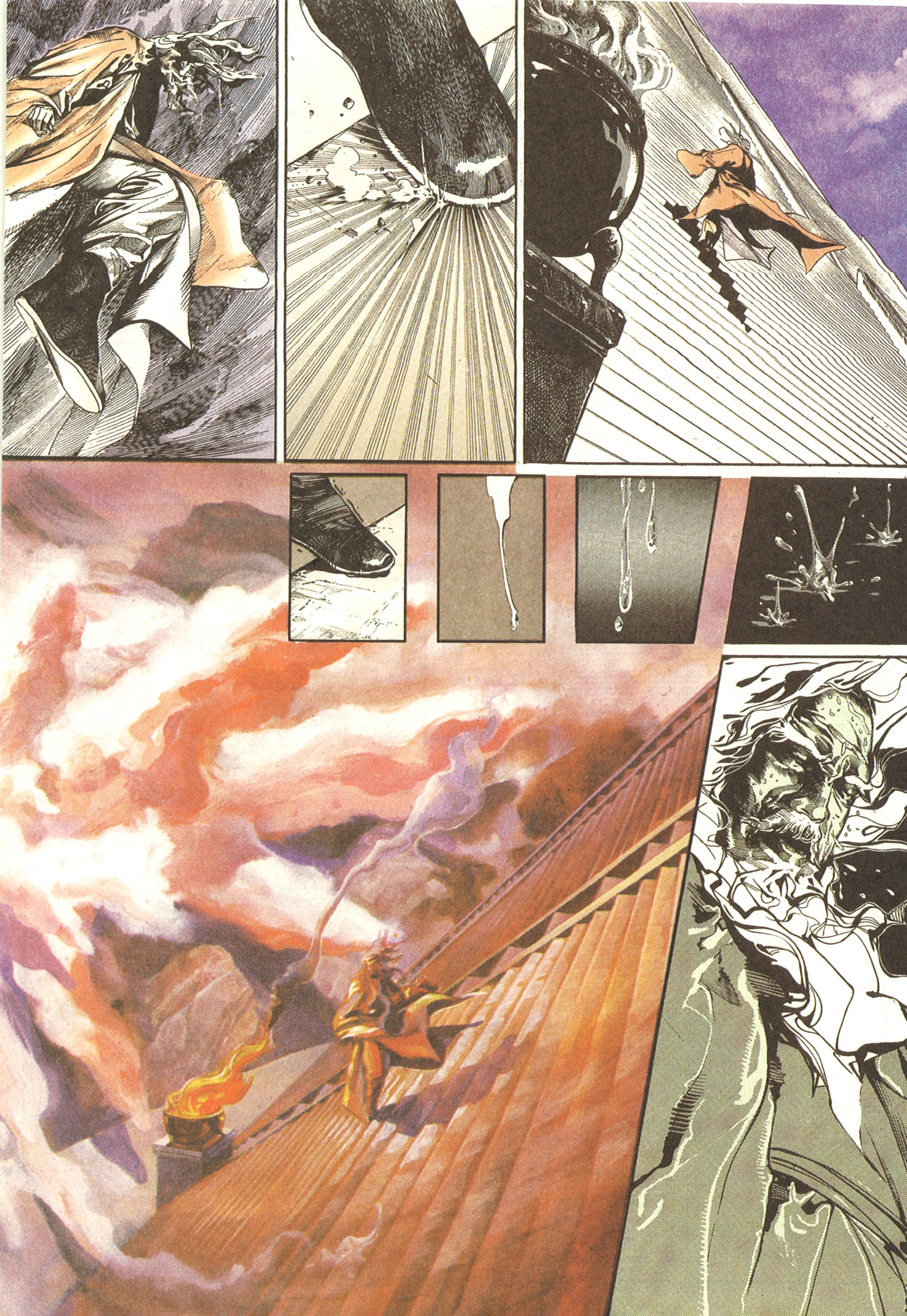


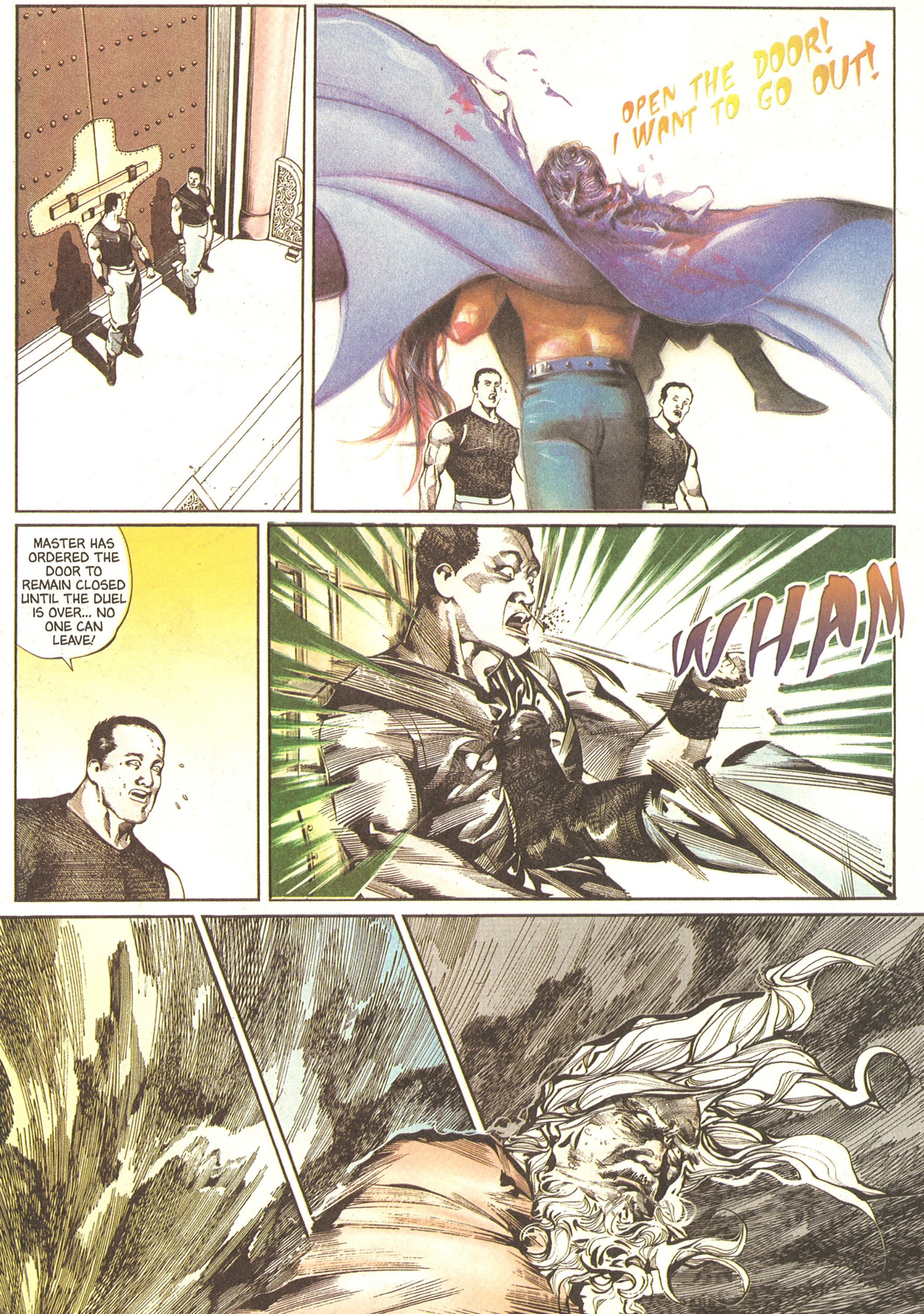

TOCK TOCK...
YAH!
WHAM
EEEE... EEEE...

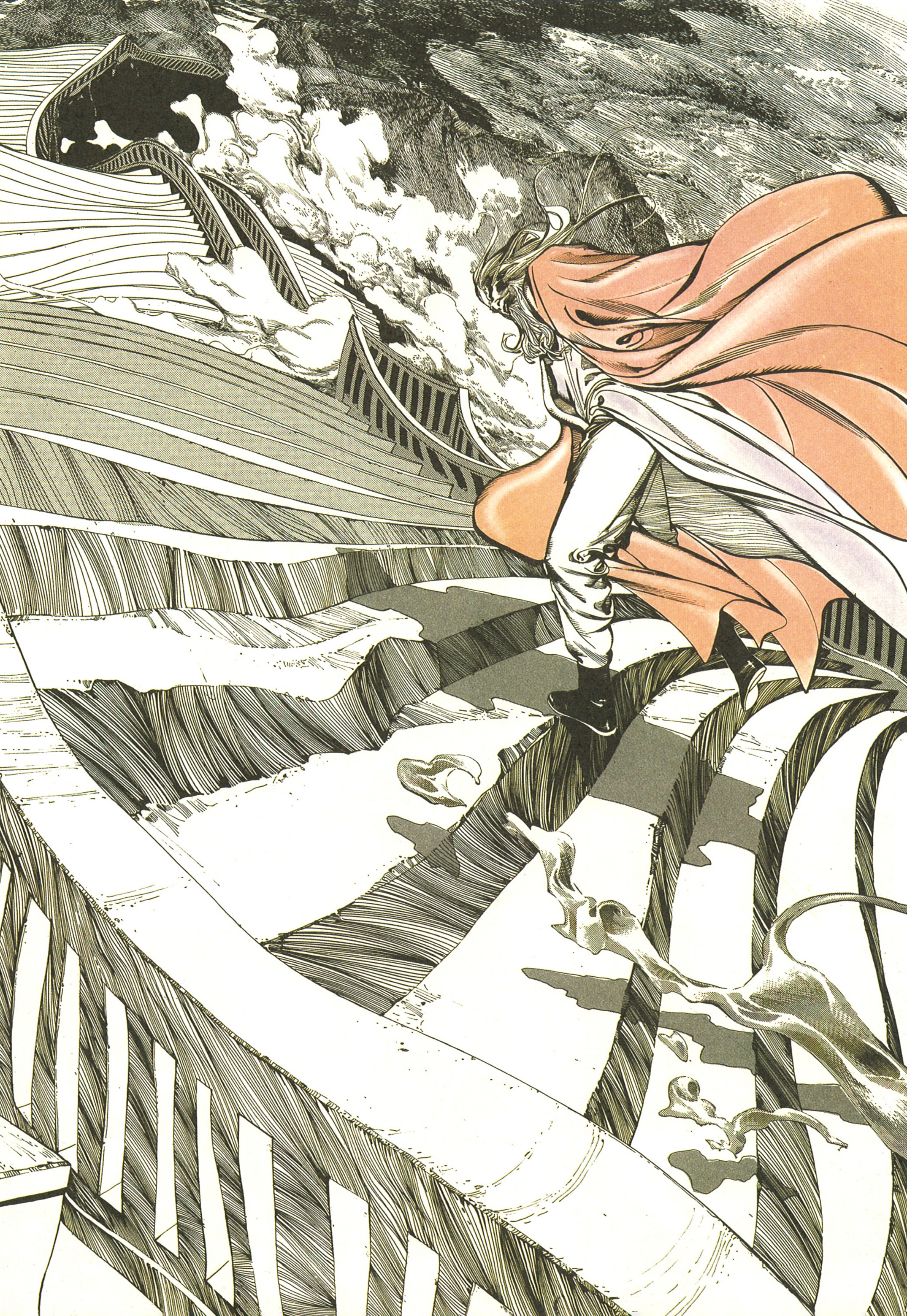

THE SUN DIRECTLY ABOVE. IT IS EXACTLY NOON... THE TIME ARRANGED FOR THE DUEL HAS ALREADY ARRIVED.
CONQUER HAS ALSO ARRIVED, WITH A FOREBODING APPEARANCE.

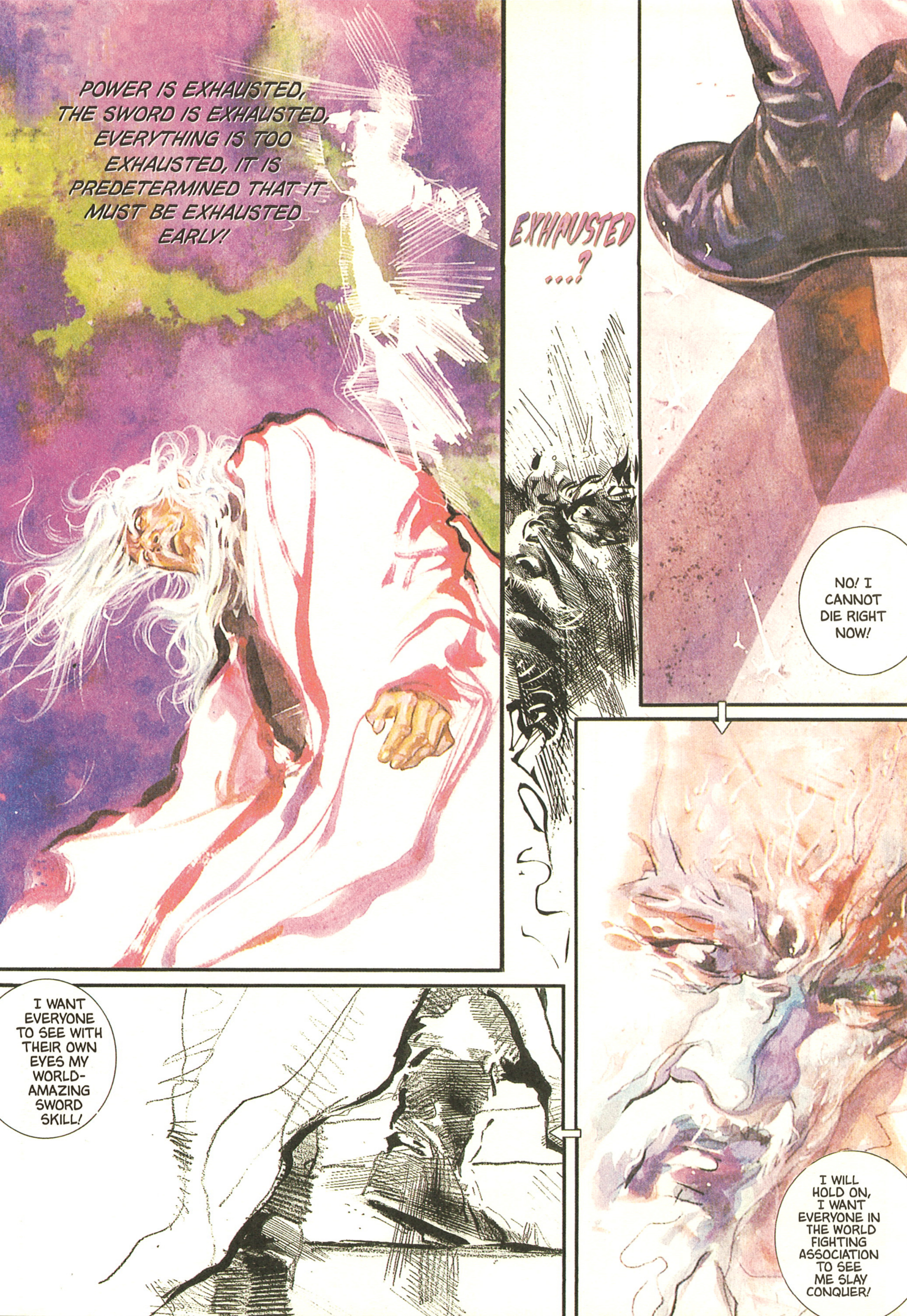

THE TIME OF THE DUEL IS HERE, WHY IS THERE NO SIGN OF SWORD SAINT?
THE PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE CANNOT HELP BUT SPECULATE.
ON THE CONTRARY, CONQUER'S APPEARANCE REMAINS CALM AND RELAXED, BECAUSE HE UNDERSTANDS THAT THIS COULD BE PART OF HIS OPPONENT'S PLAN TO DISTURB HIM.
COULD UNCLE HAVE MET WITH TROUBLE?
RELAX! SWORD SAINT'S SKILL IS UNMATCHED IN THE WORLD, HE CAN HANDLE ANYTHING!
HAH! EVEN IF THERE IS A MISFORTUNE, I STILL HAVE A LAST RESORT!
SINCE RETURNING FROM LIN-YIN CAVE, DUAN-LANG HAS BEEN CARRYING THAT BOX. IT NEVER LEAVES HIM AND IT'S UNKNOWN WHAT IS INSIDE...

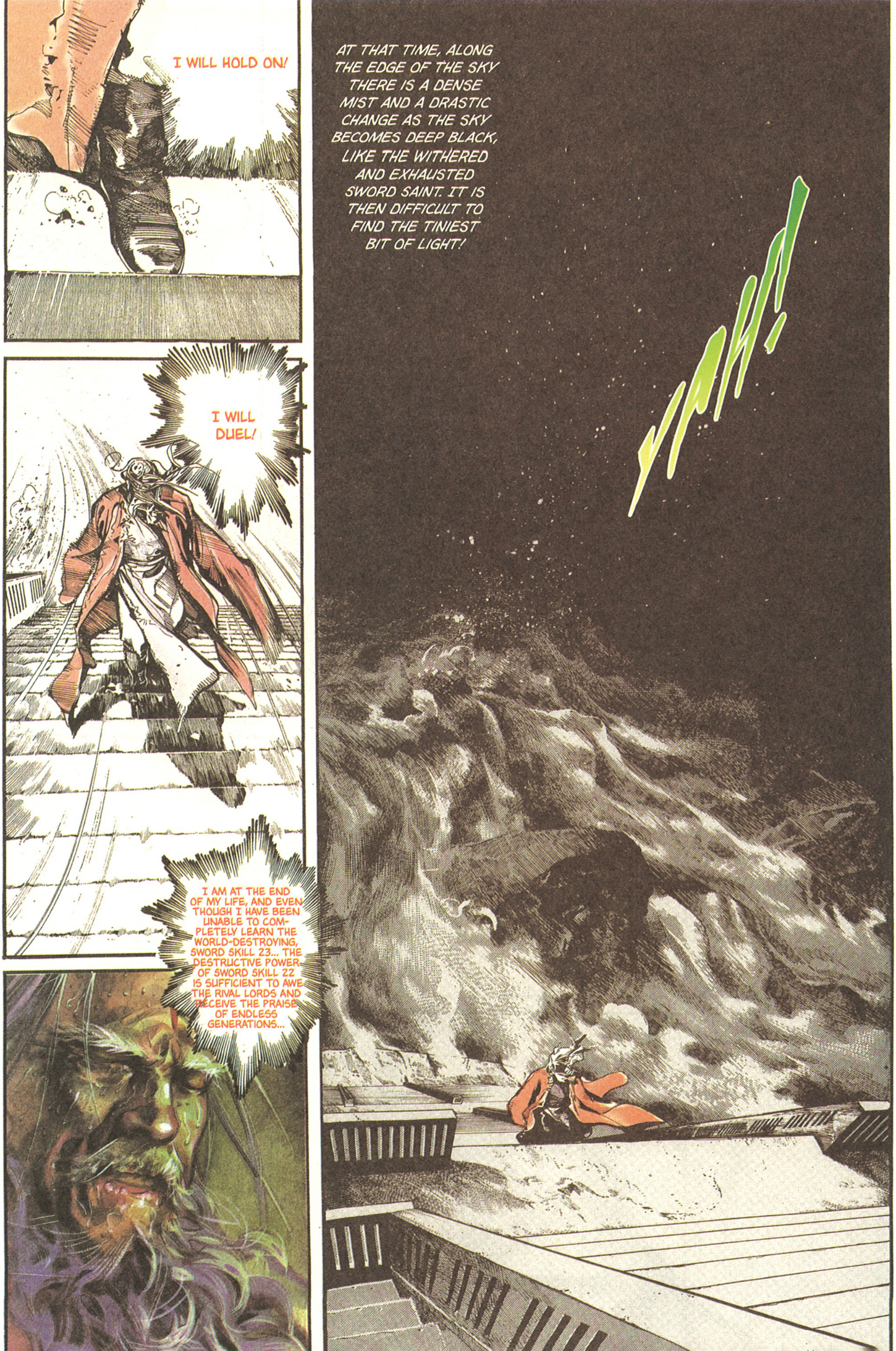

The World Fighting Association
AHH...
I DO NOT KNOW WHERE LORD WIND HAS GONE, BUT IN HIS RESIDENCE HE LEFT A LETTER FOR THE SENIOR LORD!
"Elder brother, my elder sister-in-law gave her life to save me. I feel guilty and I cannot face you!"
"Second brother undoubtedly considers me to be his mortal enemy, if we fight it will cause chaos, therefore I cannot stay here!"
"As a result, I feel that it will be hard for me to remain in The World Fighting Association. I can only leave... I hope that elder brother will take good care of himself!
Wind."
FROST CEASES READING. HIS FACE REMAINS EXPRESSIONLESS... AFTER EXPERIENCING YESTERDAY'S TRAGEDY, IT IS HARD FOR ANY EVENT TO CAUSE HIM TO REACT WITH EMOTION!

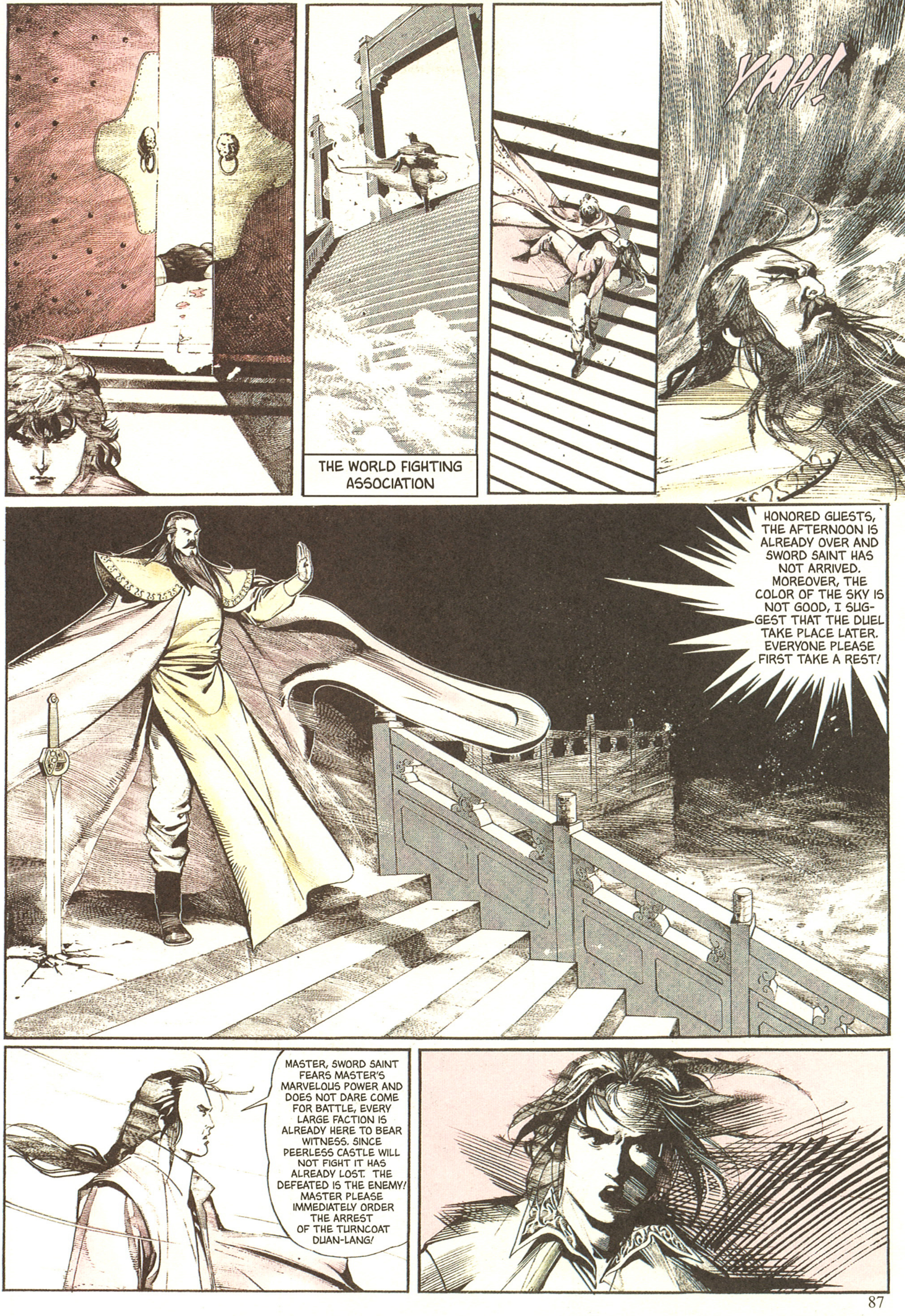


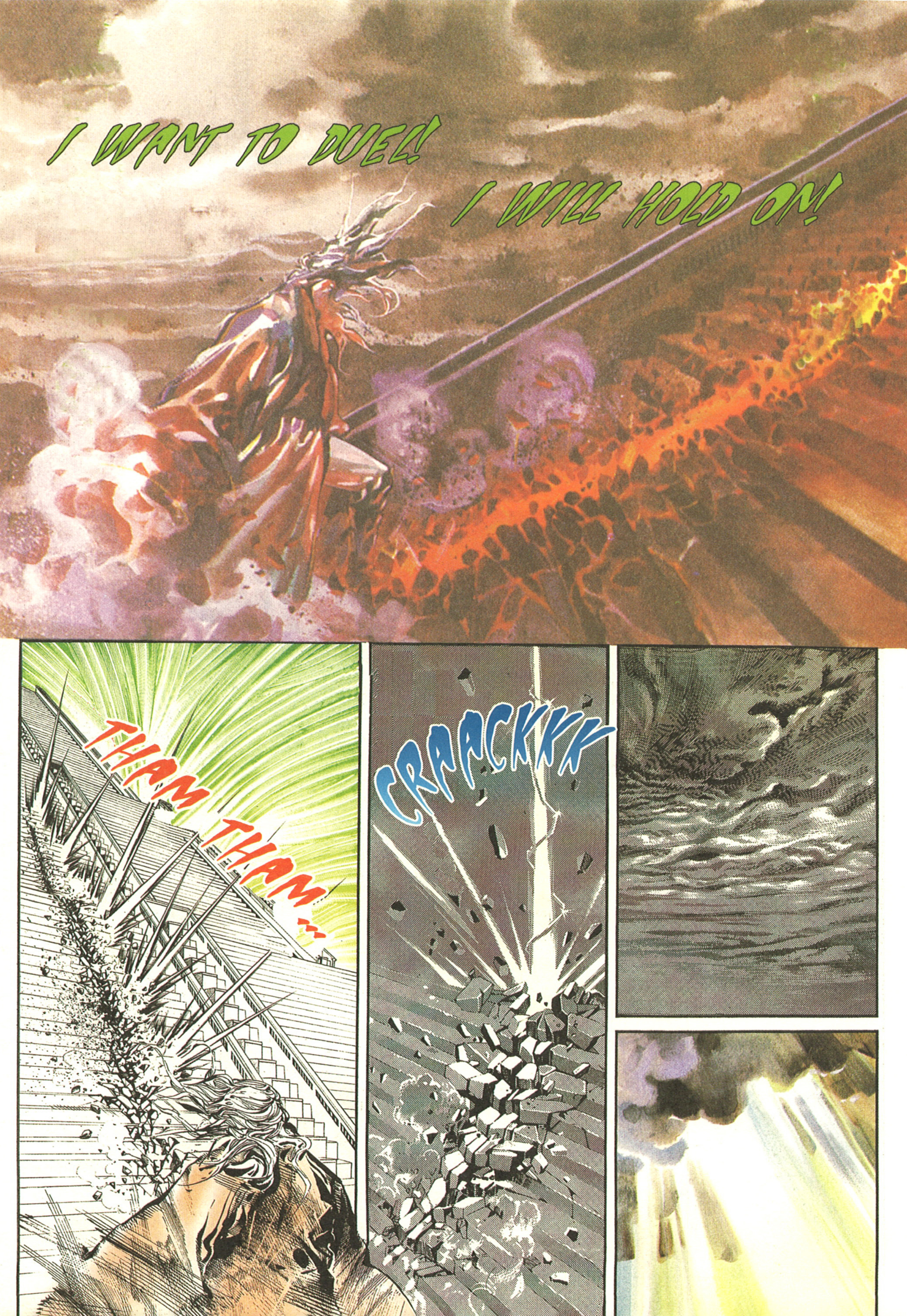

OPEN THE DOOR! I WANT TO GO OUT!
MASTER HAS ORDERED THE DOOR TO REMAIN CLOSED UNTIL THE DUEL IS OVER... NO ONE CAN LEAVE!
WHAM




POWER IS EXHAUSTED, THE SWORD IS EXHAUSTED, EVERYTHING IS TOO EXHAUSTED, IT IS PREDETERMINED THAT IT MUST BE EXHAUSTED EARLY!
EXHAUSTED ...?
NO! I CANNOT DIE RIGHT NOW!
I WANT EVERYONE TO SEE WITH THEIR OWN EYES MY WORLD-AMAZING SWORD SKILL!
I WILL HOLD ON, I WANT EVERYONE IN THE WORLD FIGHTING ASSOCIATION TO SEE ME SLAY CONQUER!


I WILL HOLD ON!
I WILL DUEL!
I AM AT THE END OF MY LIFE, AND EVEN THOUGH I HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO COMPLETELY LEARN THE WORLD-DESTROYING, SWORD SKILL 23... THE DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF SWORD SKILL 22 IS SUFFICIENT TO AWE THE RIVAL LORDS AND RECEIVE THE PRAISE OF ENDLESS GENERATIONS...
AT THAT TIME, ALONG THE EDGE OF THE SKY THERE IS A DENSE MIST AND A DRASTIC CHANGE AS THE SKY BECOMES DEEP BLACK, LIKE THE WITHERED AND EXHAUSTED SWORD SAINT. IT IS THEN DIFFICULT TO FIND THE TINIEST BIT OF LIGHT!
YAAH!


THE WORLD FIGHTING ASSOCIATION
YAH!
HONORED GUESTS, THE AFTERNOON IS ALREADY OVER AND SWORD SAINT HAS NOT ARRIVED. MOREOVER, THE COLOR OF THE SKY IS NOT GOOD, I SUGGEST THAT THE DUEL TAKE PLACE LATER. EVERYONE PLEASE FIRST TAKE A REST!
MASTER, SWORD SAINT FEARS MASTER'S MARVELOUS POWER AND DOES NOT DARE COME FOR BATTLE, EVERY LARGE FACTION IS ALREADY HERE TO BEAR WITNESS. SINCE PEERLESS CASTLE WILL NOT FIGHT IT HAS ALREADY LOST. THE DEFEATED IS THE ENEMY! MASTER PLEASE IMMEDIATELY ORDER THE ARREST OF THE TURNCOAT DUAN-LANG!


I WANT TO DUEL!
I WILL HOLD ON!
THAM THAM ...
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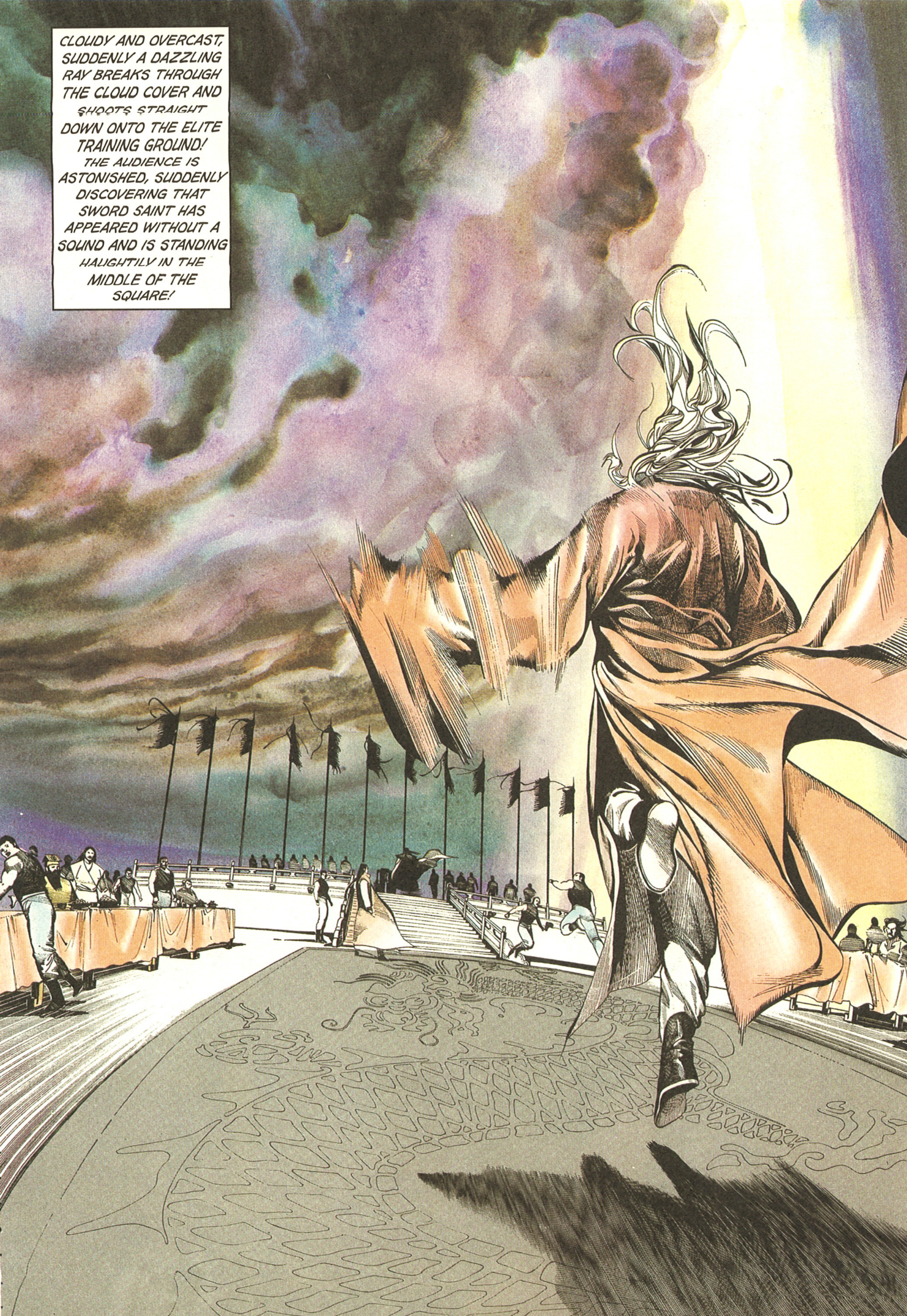
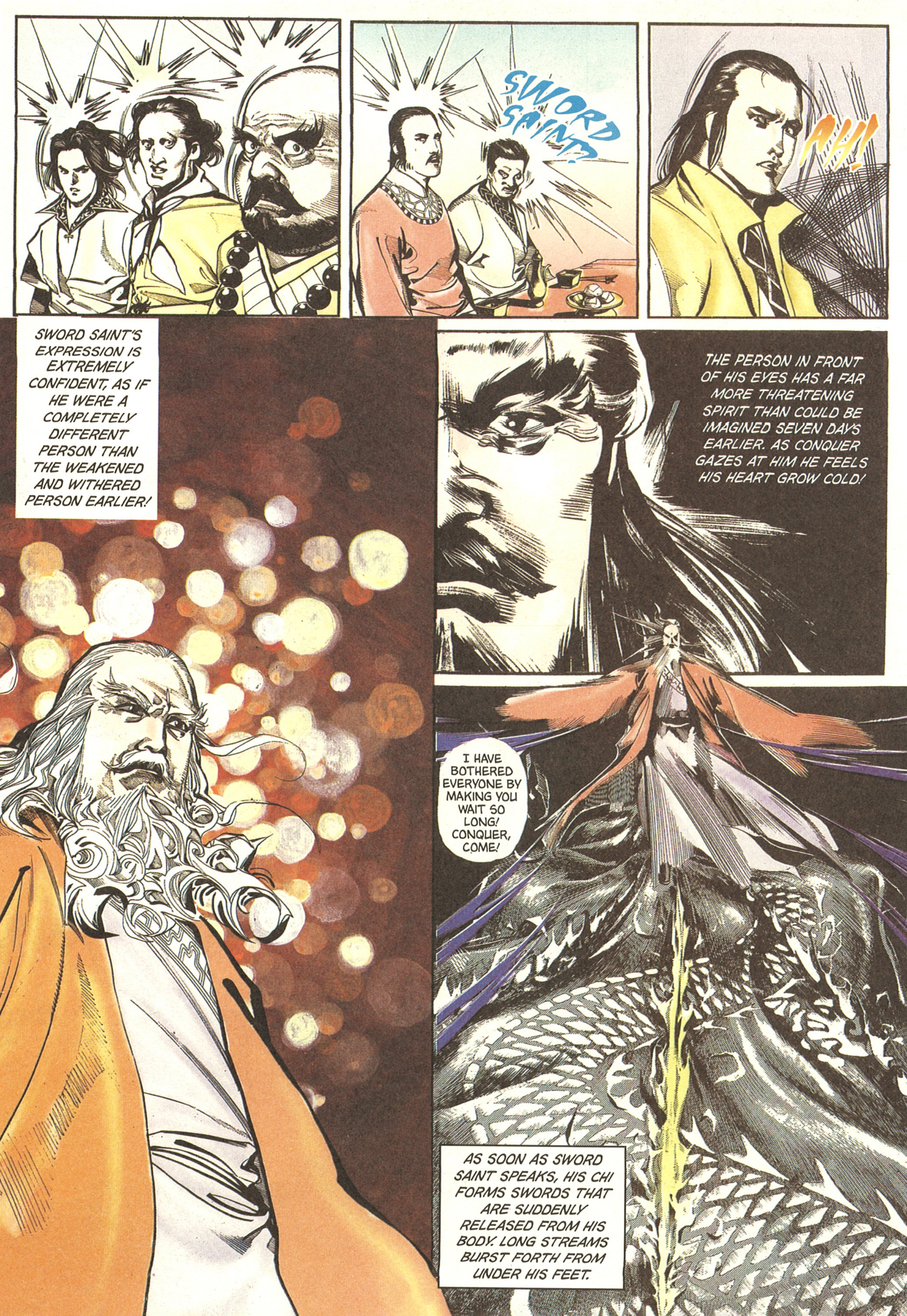
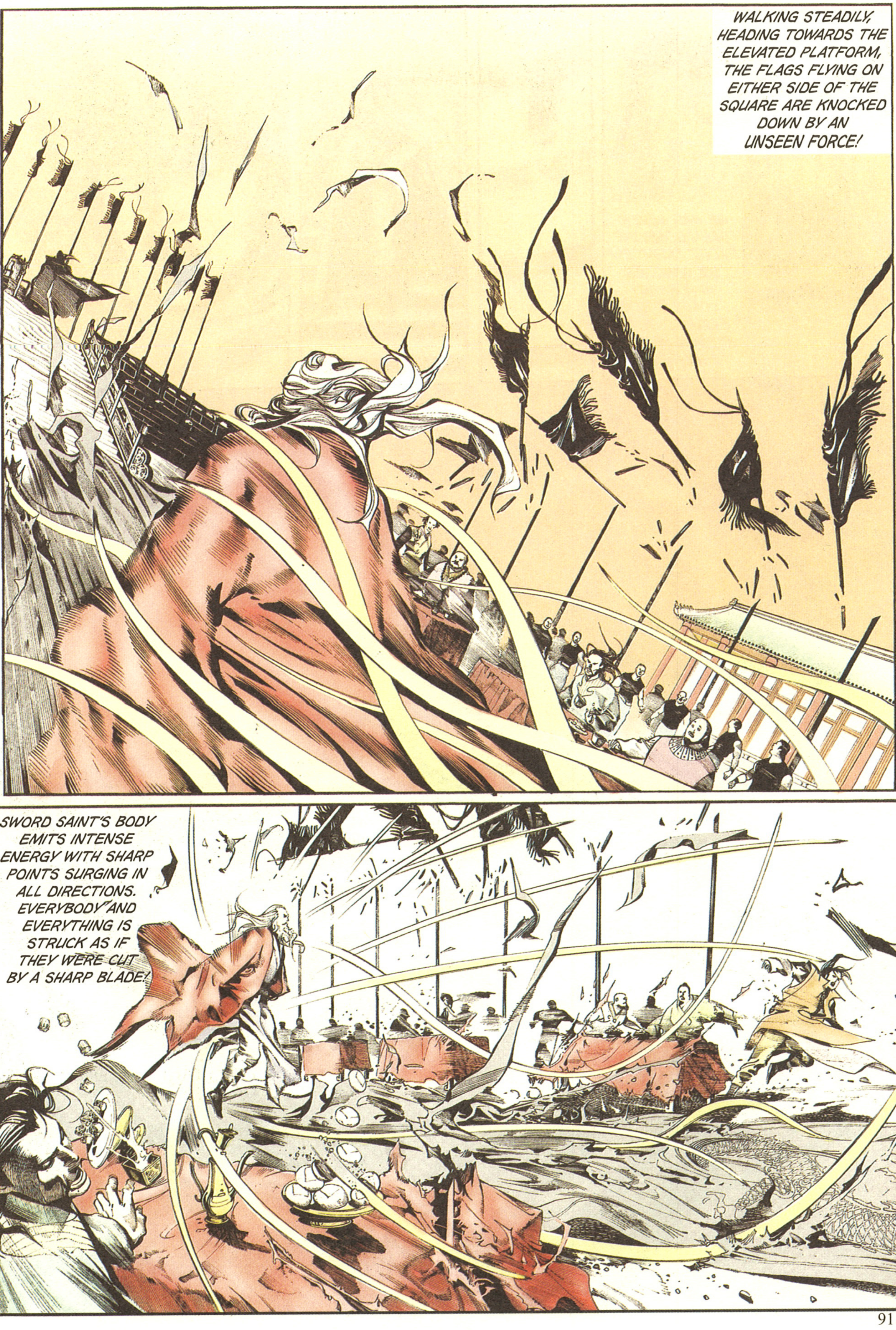
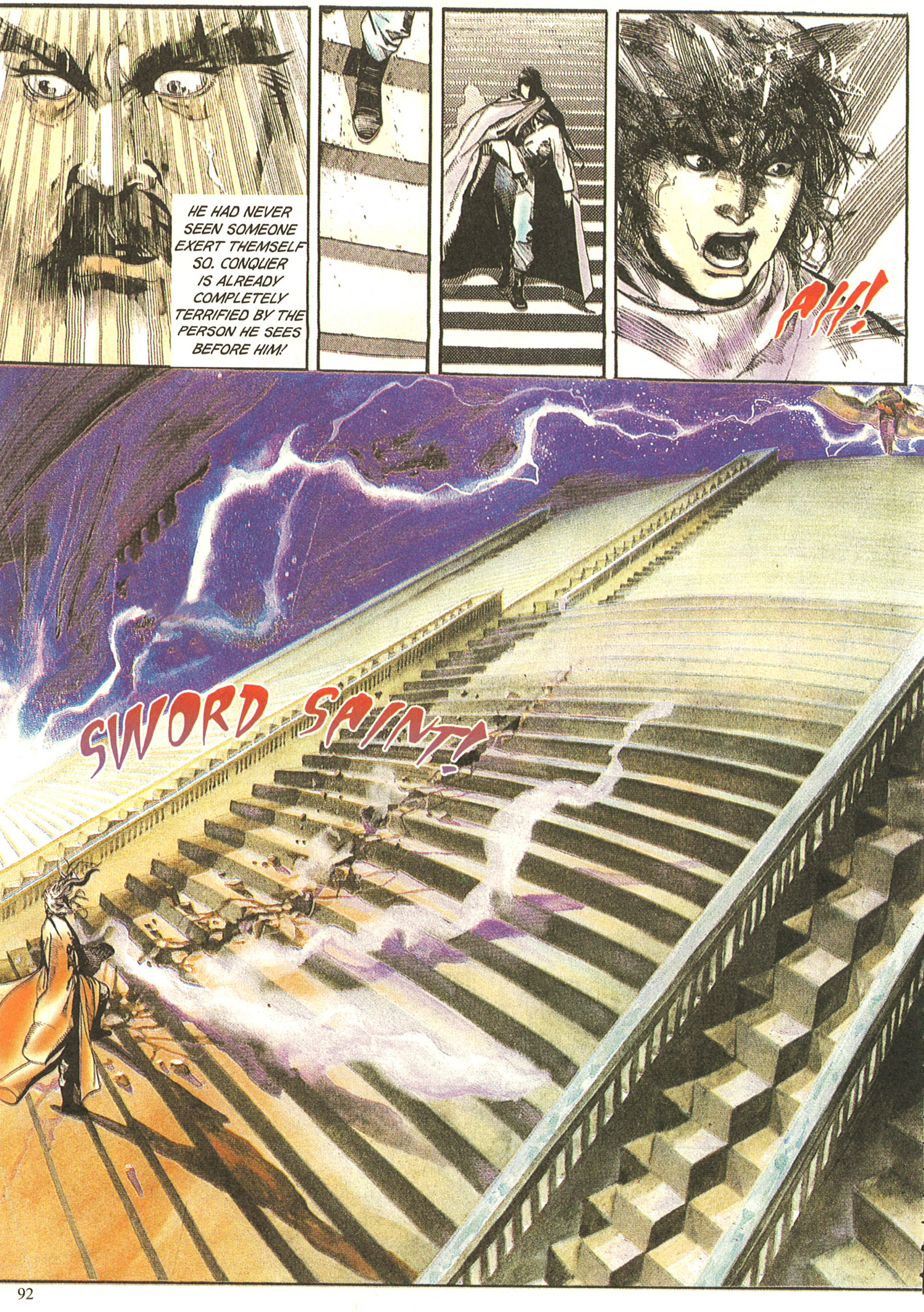
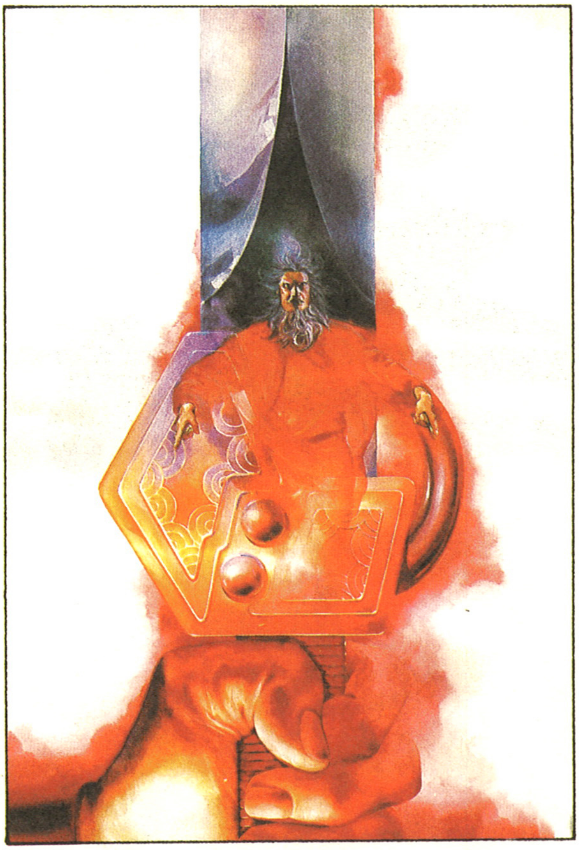

CLOUDY AND OVERCAST, SUDDENLY A DAZZLING RAY BREAKS THROUGH THE CLOUD COVER AND SHOOTS STRAIGHT DOWN ONTO THE ELITE TRAINING GROUND! THE AUDIENCE IS ASTONISHED, SUDDENLY DISCOVERING THAT SWORD SAINT HAS APPEARED WITHOUT A SOUND AND IS STANDING HAUGHTILY IN THE MIDDLE OF THE SQUARE!


SWORD SAINT?
AH!
SWORD SAINT'S EXPRESSION IS EXTREMELY CONFIDENT, AS IF HE WERE A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT PERSON THAN THE WEAKENED AND WITHERED PERSON EARLIER!
THE PERSON IN FRONT OF HIS EYES HAS A FAR MORE THREATENING SPIRIT THAN COULD BE IMAGINED SEVEN DAYS EARLIER. AS CONQUER GAZES AT HIM HE FEELS HIS HEART GROW COLD!
I HAVE BOTHERED EVERYONE BY MAKING YOU WAIT SO LONG! CONQUER, COME!
AS SOON AS SWORD SAINT SPEAKS, HIS CHI FORMS SWORDS THAT ARE SUDDENLY RELEASED FROM HIS BODY. LONG STREAMS BURST FORTH FROM UNDER HIS FEET.

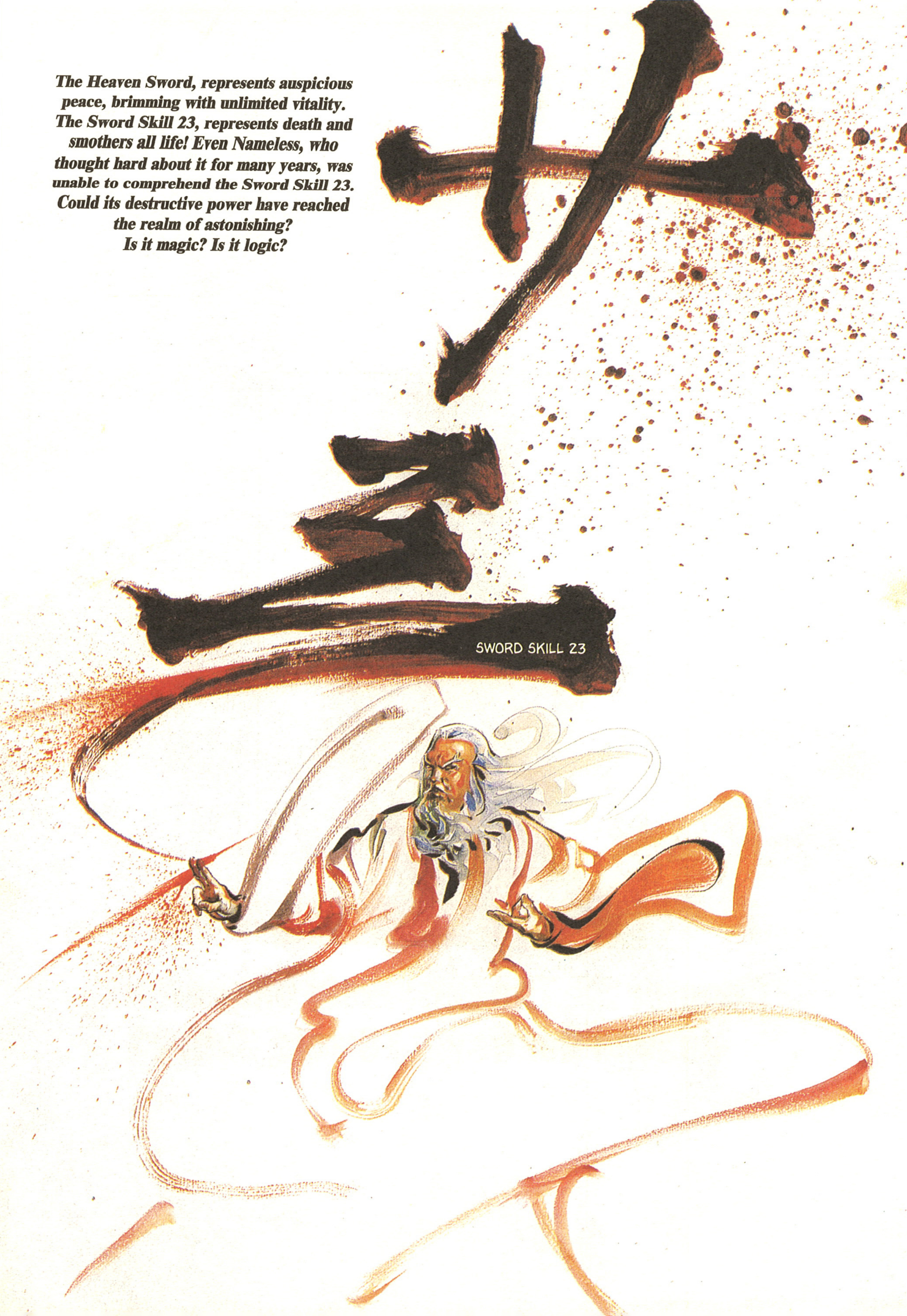

WALKING STEADILY, HEADING TOWARDS THE ELEVATED PLATFORM, THE FLAGS FLYING ON EITHER SIDE OF THE SQUARE ARE KNOCKED DOWN BY AN UNSEEN FORCE!
SWORD SAINT'S BODY EMITS INTENSE ENERGY WITH SHARP POINTS SURGING IN ALL DIRECTIONS. EVERYBODY AND EVERYTHING IS STRUCK AS IF THEY WERE CUT BY A SHARP BLADE!

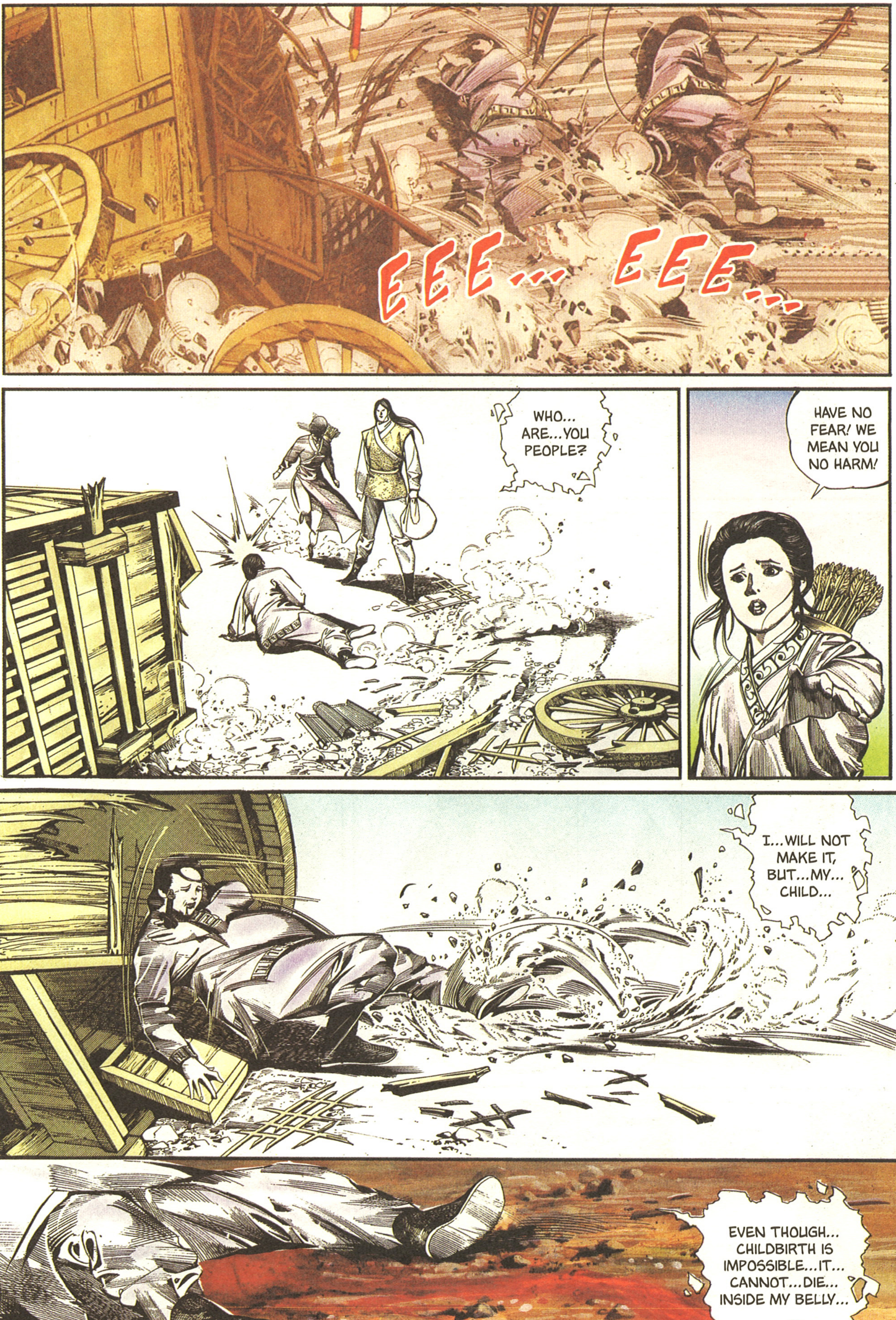

HE HAD NEVER SEEN SOMEONE EXERT THEMSELF SO. CONQUER IS ALREADY COMPLETELY TERRIFIED BY THE PERSON HE SEES BEFORE HIM!
AH!
SWORD SAINT!

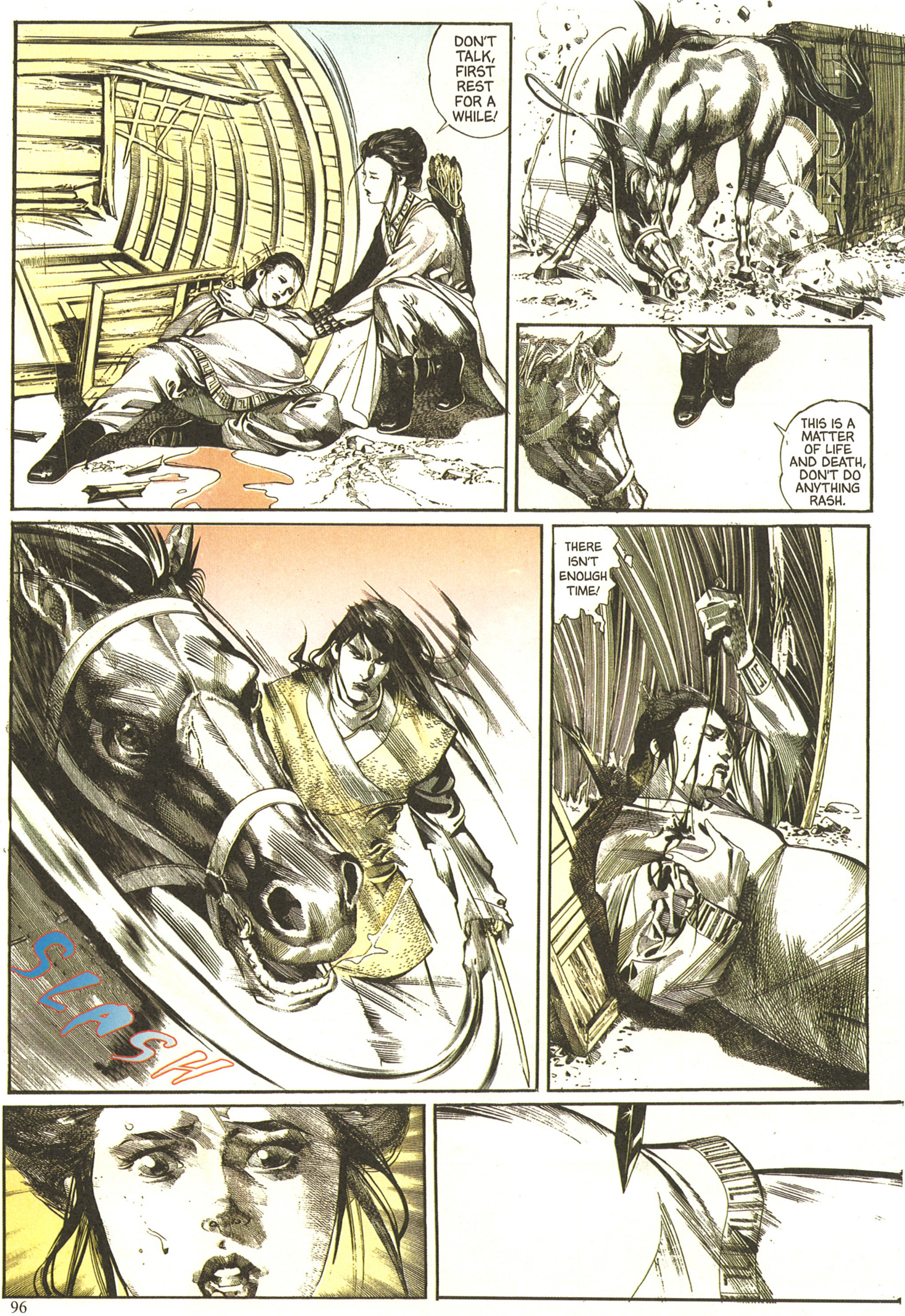


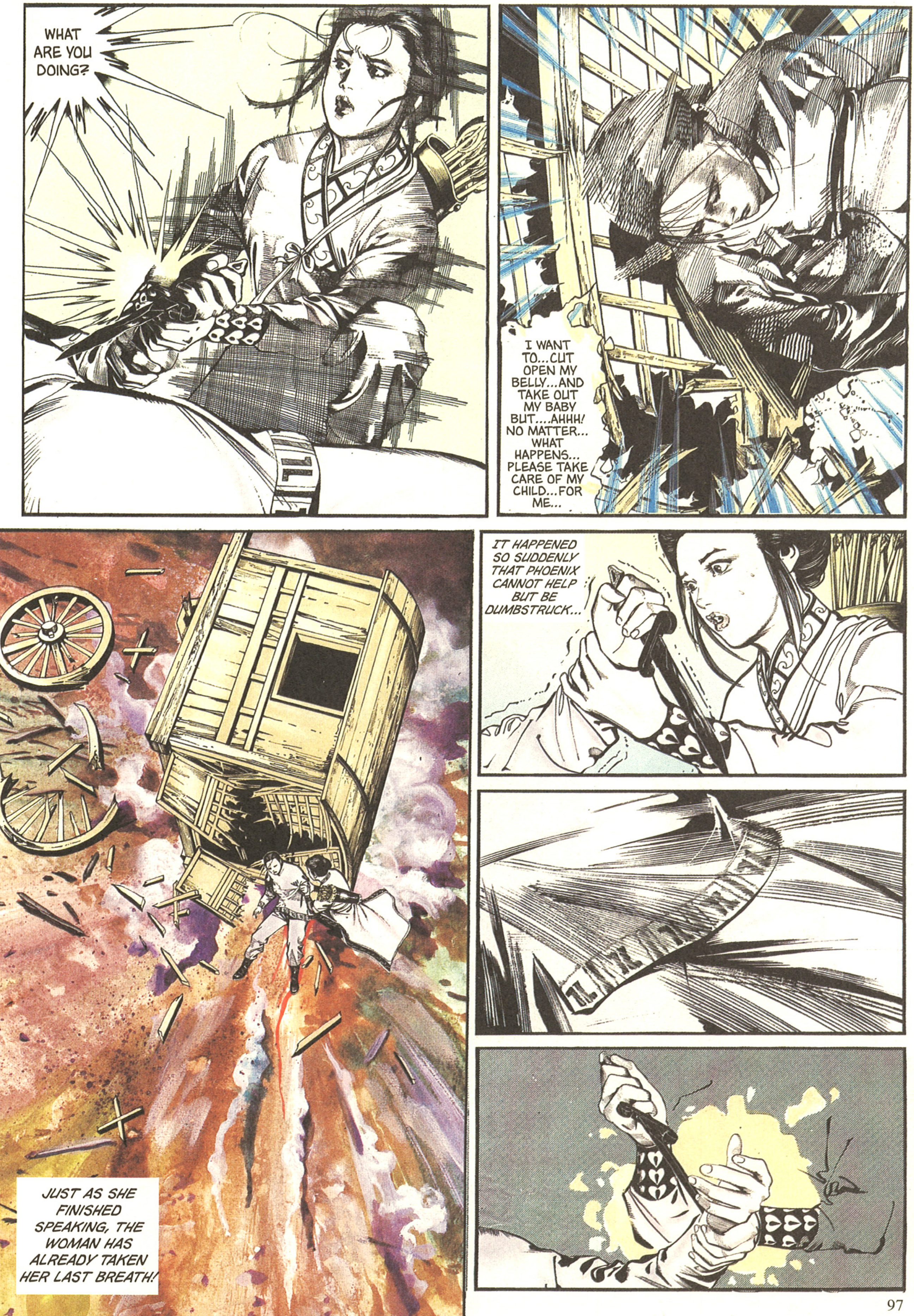
Chapter 23: The Extremely Dangerous - Heaven Destroying Sword Skill 23

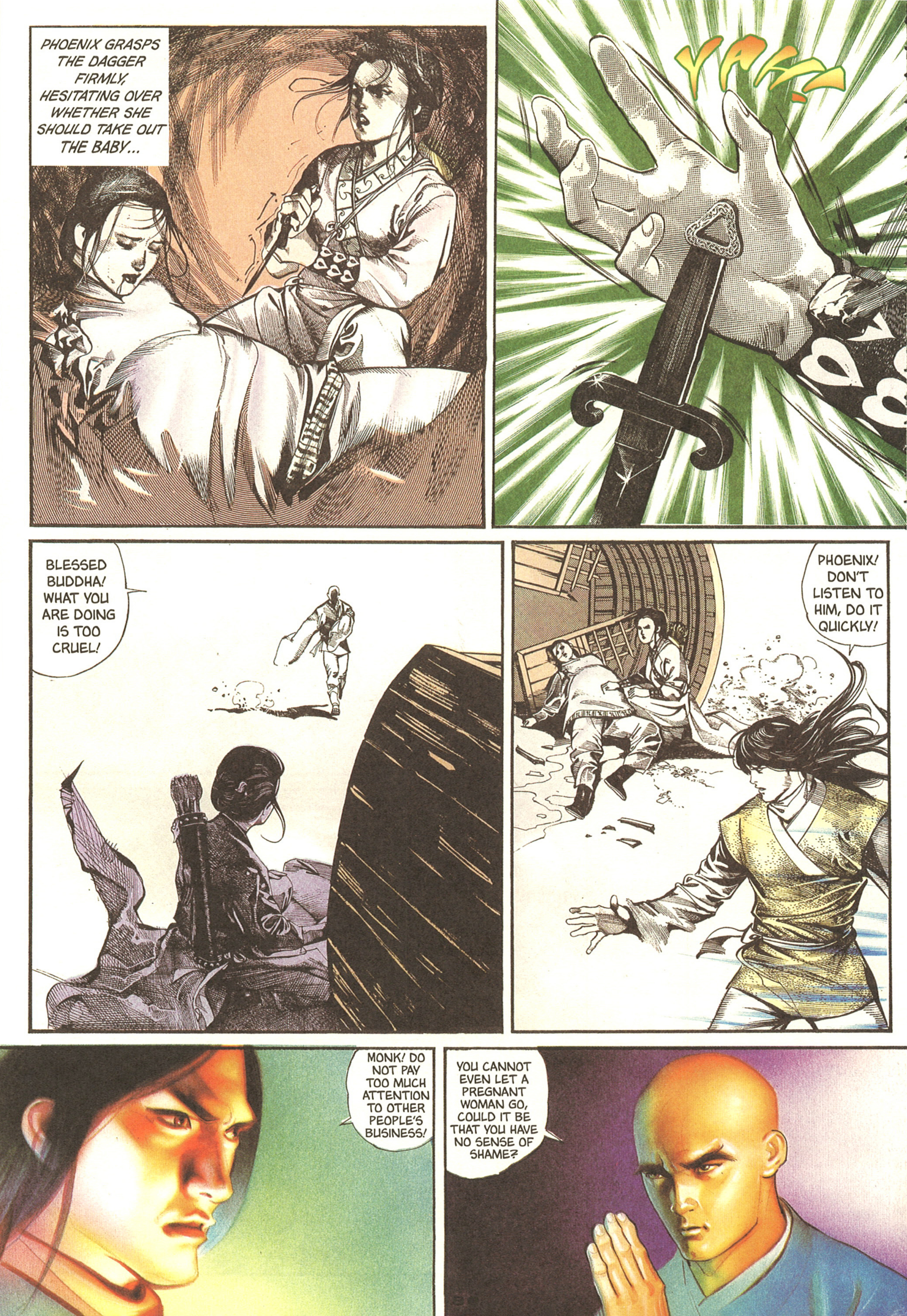
The Heaven Sword, represents auspicious peace, brimming with unlimited vitality. The Sword Skill 23, represents death and smothers all life! Even Nameless, who thought hard about it for many years, was unable to comprehend the Sword Skill 23. Could its destructive power have reached the realm of astonishing? Is it magic? Is it logic?

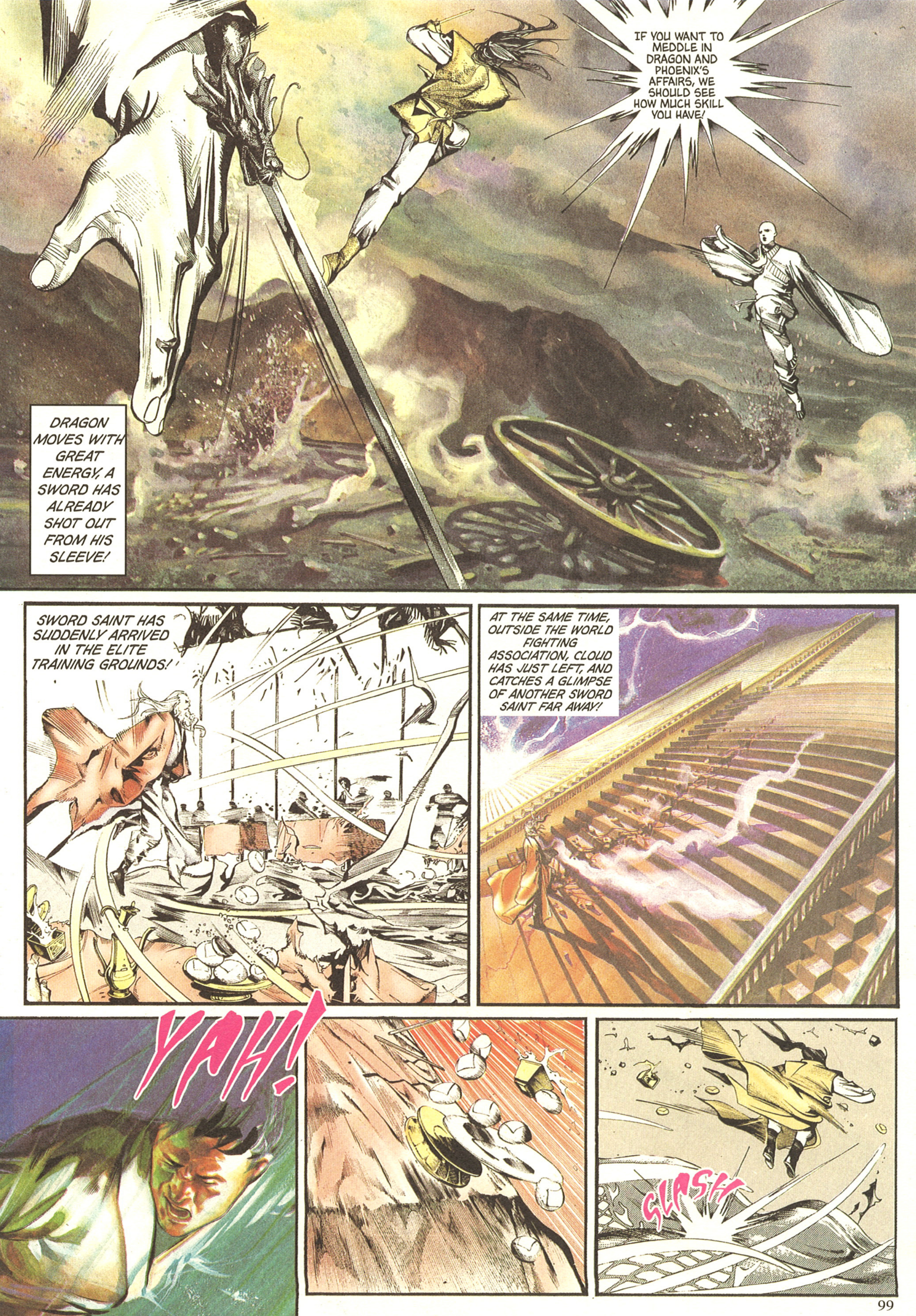


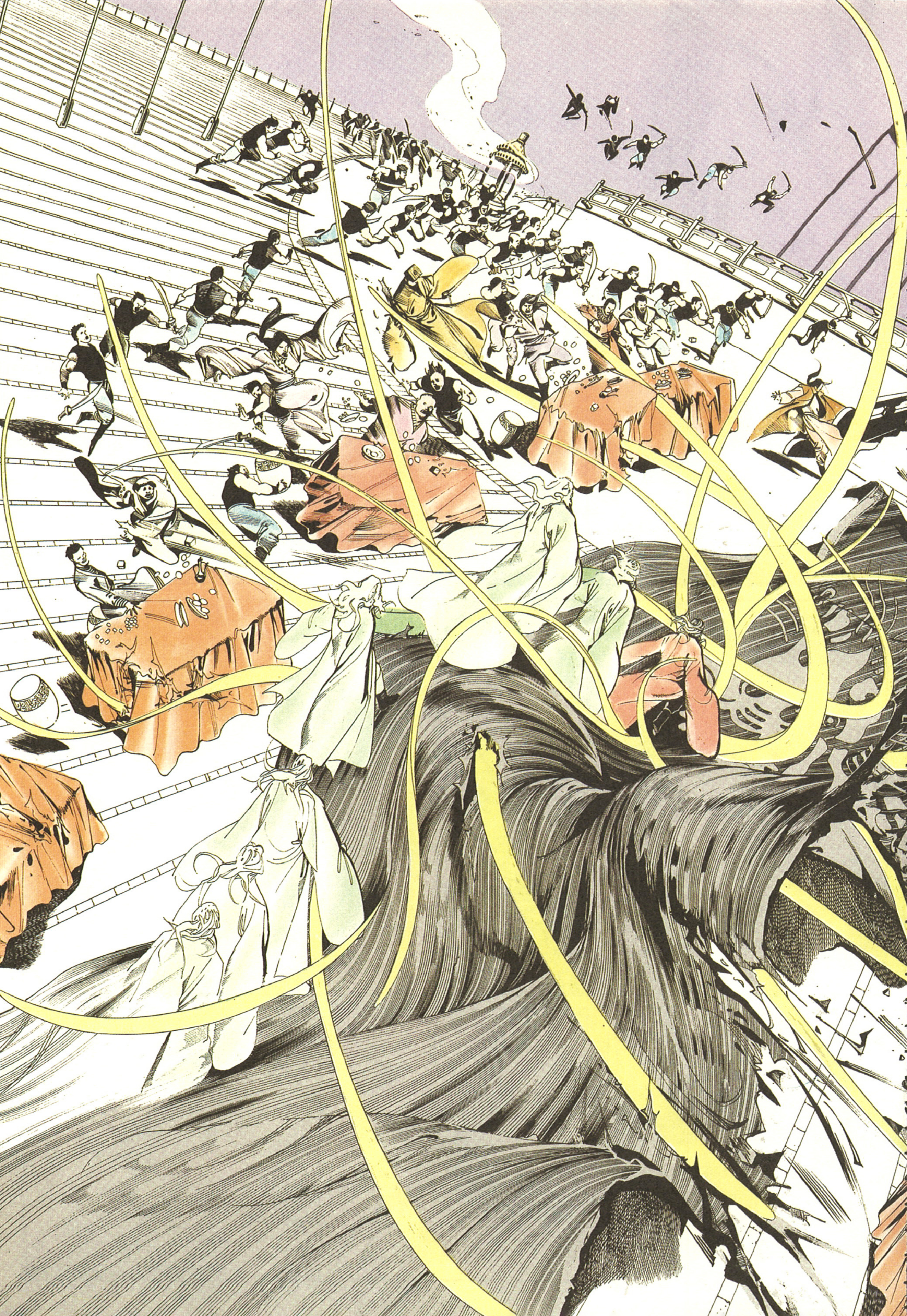

EEE... EEE...
WHO... ARE...YOU PEOPLE?
HAVE NO FEAR! WE MEAN YOU NO HARM!
I...WILL NOT MAKE IT, BUT...MY... CHILD...
EVEN THOUGH... CHILDBIRTH IS IMPOSSIBLE...IT... CANNOT...DIE... INSIDE MY BELLY...

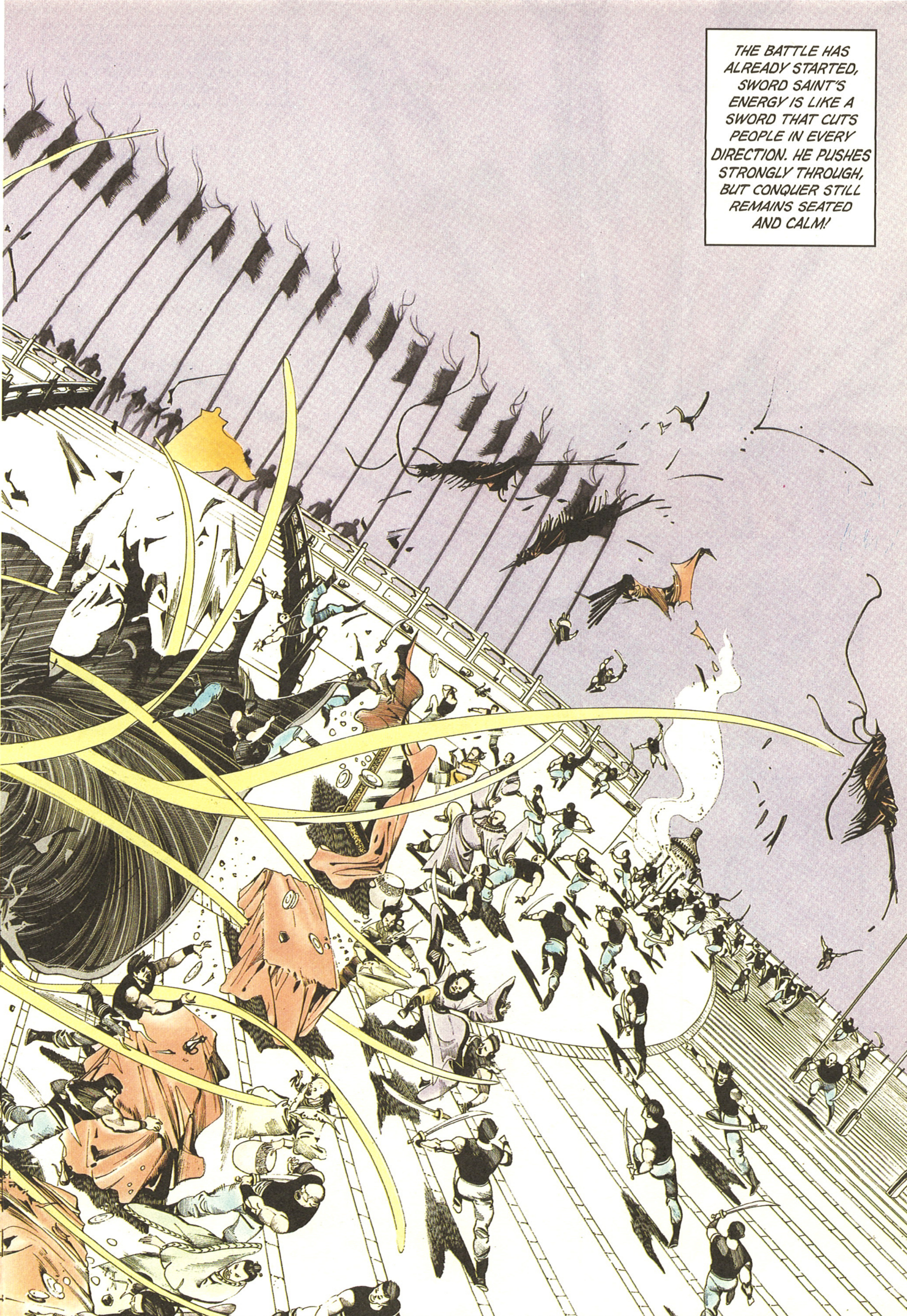

DON'T TALK, FIRST REST FOR A WHILE!
THIS IS A MATTER OF LIFE AND DEATH, DON'T DO ANYTHING RASH.
THERE ISN'T ENOUGH TIME!
SLASH

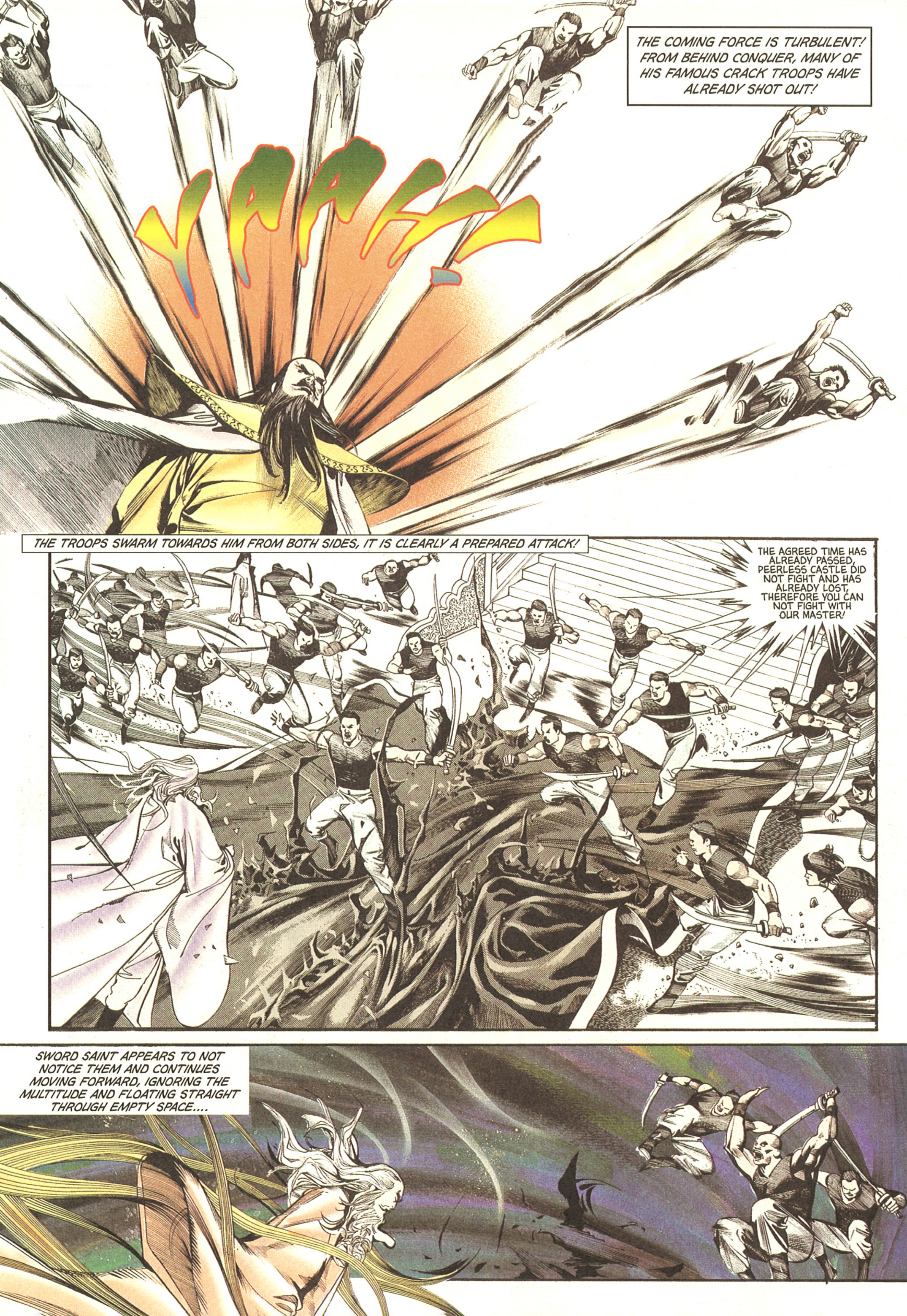

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
I WANT TO...CUT OPEN MY BELLY...AND TAKE OUT MY BABY BUT....AHHH! NO MATTER... WHAT HAPPENS... PLEASE TAKE CARE OF MY CHILD...FOR ME...
IT HAPPENED SO SUDDENLY THAT PHOENIX CANNOT HELP BUT BE DUMBSTRUCK...
JUST AS SHE FINISHED SPEAKING, THE WOMAN HAS ALREADY TAKEN HER LAST BREATH!

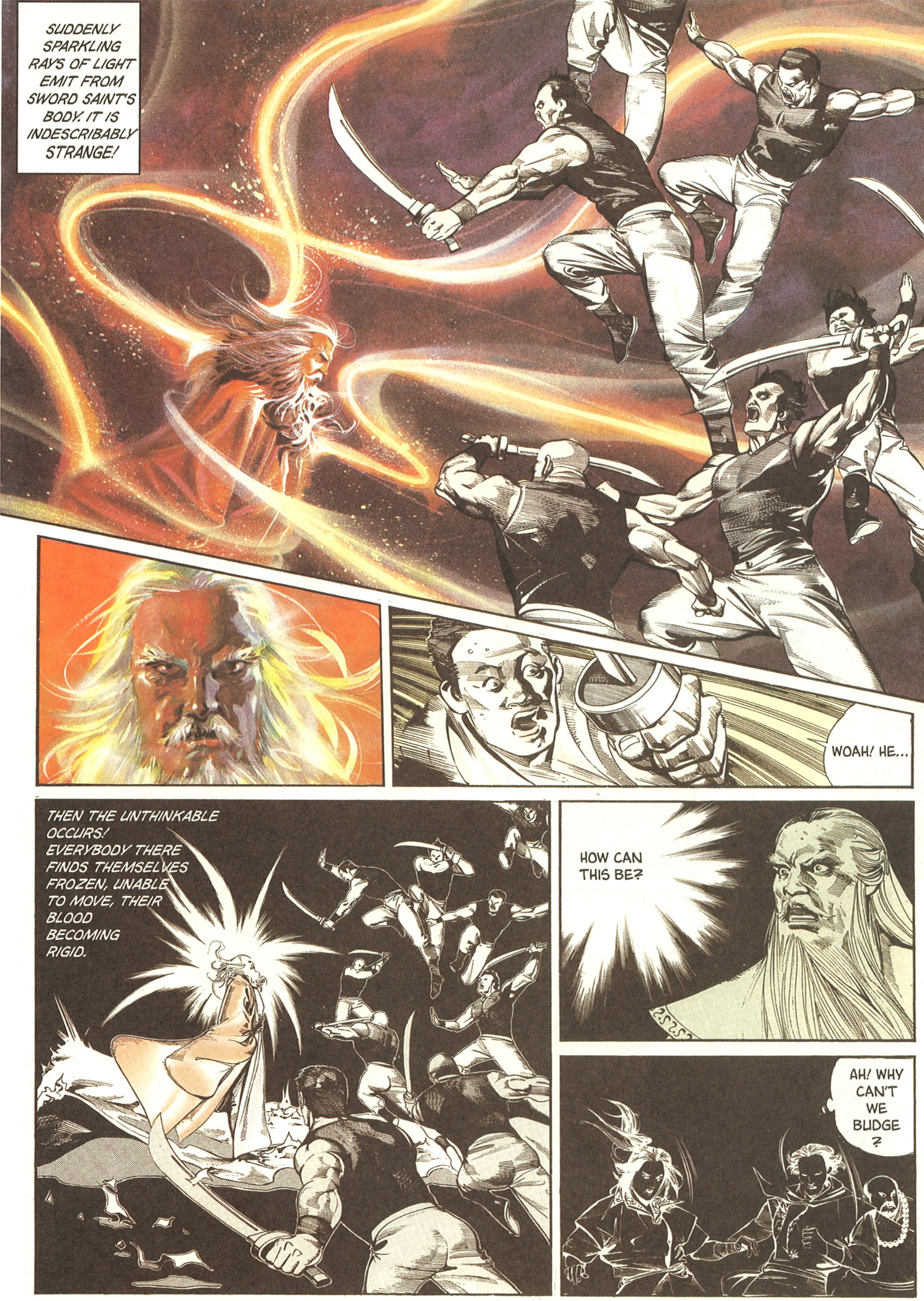

PHOENIX GRASPS THE DAGGER FIRMLY, HESITATING OVER WHETHER SHE SHOULD TAKE OUT THE BABY...
YAK!
BLESSED BUDDHA! WHAT YOU ARE DOING IS TOO CRUEL!
PHOENIX! DON'T LISTEN TO HIM, DO IT QUICKLY!
MONK! DO NOT PAY TOO MUCH ATTENTION TO OTHER PEOPLE'S BUSINESS!
YOU CANNOT EVEN LET A PREGNANT WOMAN GO, COULD IT BE THAT YOU HAVE NO SENSE OF SHAME?

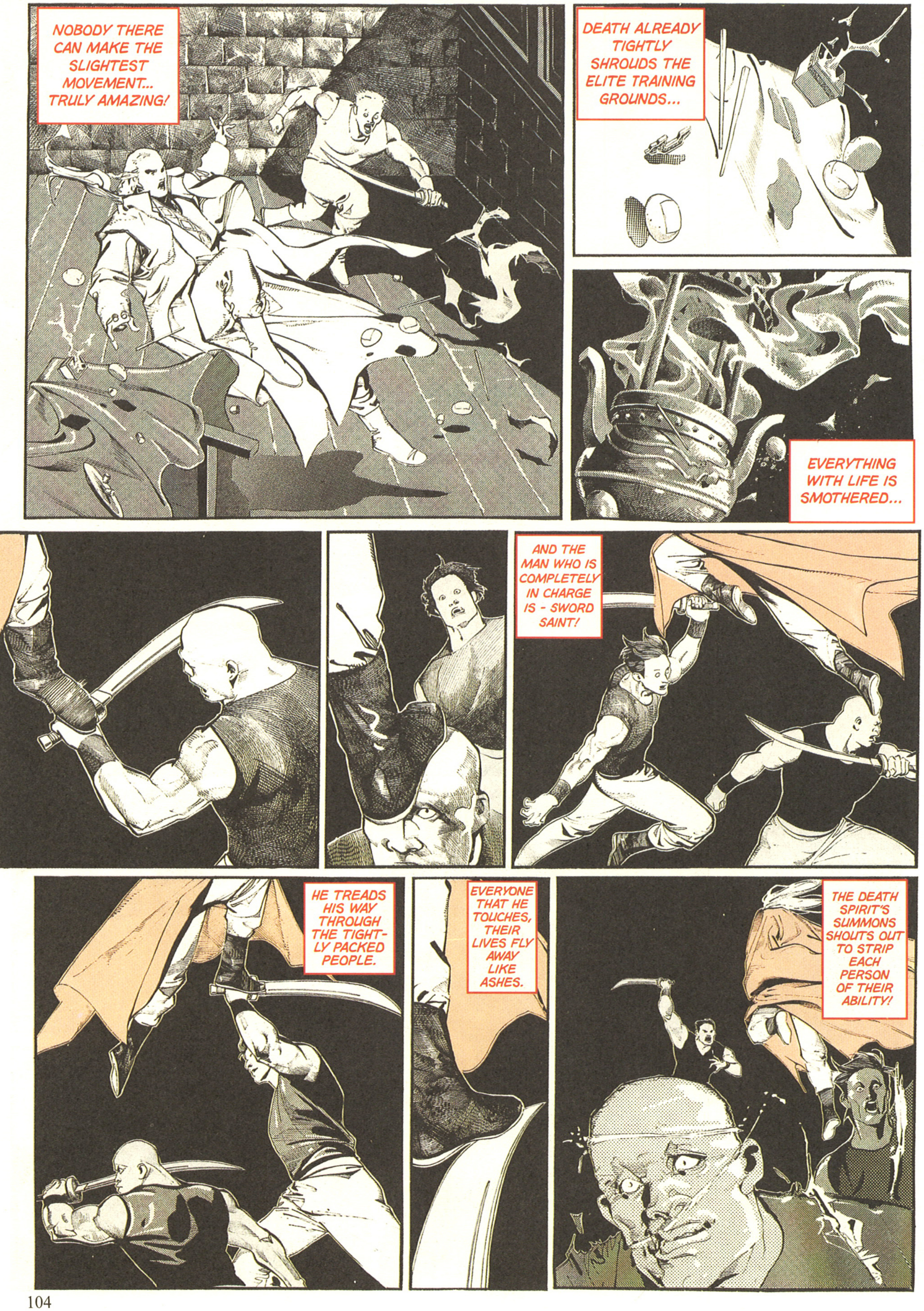

IF YOU WANT TO MEDDLE IN DRAGON AND PHOENIX'S AFFAIRS, WE SHOULD SEE HOW MUCH SKILL YOU HAVE!
DRAGON MOVES WITH GREAT ENERGY, A SWORD HAS ALREADY SHOT OUT FROM HIS SLEEVE!
SWORD SAINT HAS SUDDENLY ARRIVED IN THE ELITE TRAINING GROUNDS!
AT THE SAME TIME, OUTSIDE THE WORLD FIGHTING ASSOCIATION, CLOUD HAS JUST LEFT, AND CATCHES A GLIMPSE OF ANOTHER SWORD SAINT FAR AWAY!
YAH!
SLASH

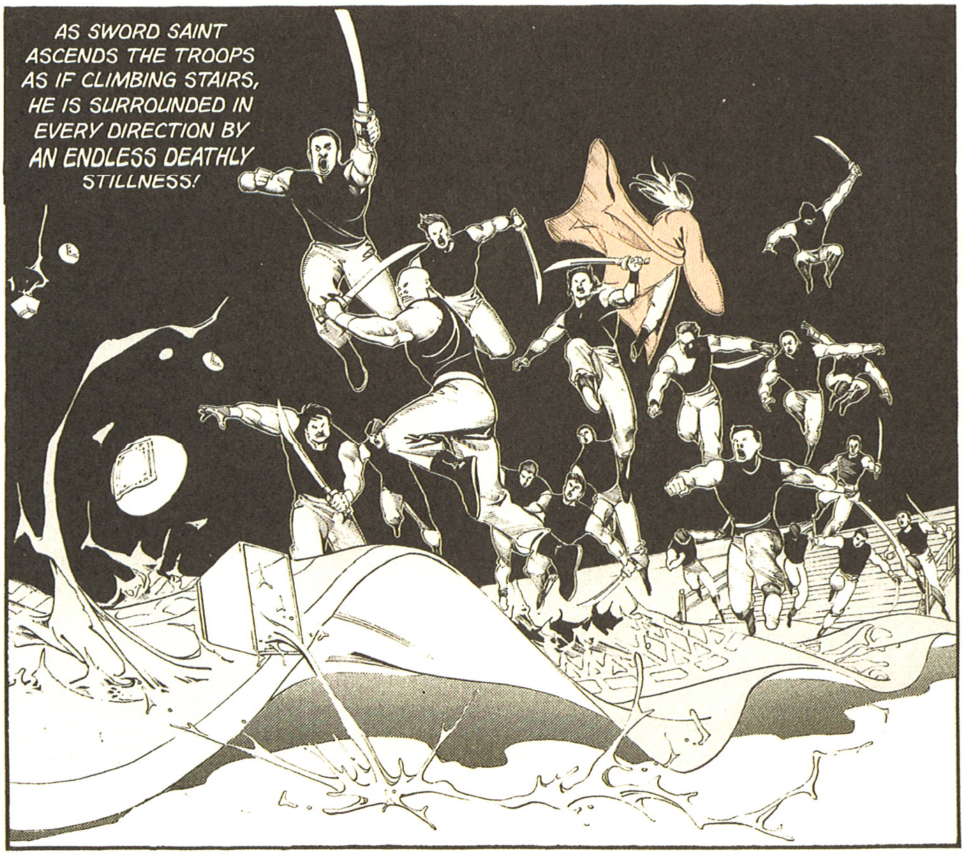


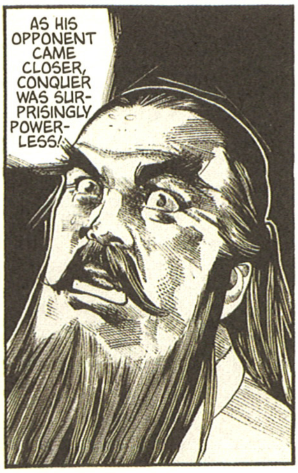

THE BATTLE HAS ALREADY STARTED, SWORD SAINT'S ENERGY IS LIKE A SWORD THAT CUTS PEOPLE IN EVERY DIRECTION. HE PUSHES STRONGLY THROUGH, BUT CONQUER STILL REMAINS SEATED AND CALM!

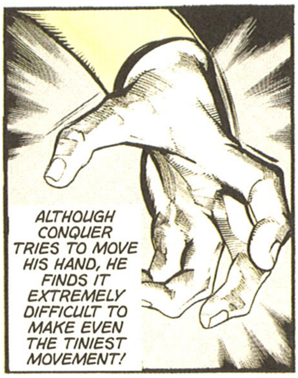

THE COMING FORCE IS TURBULENT! FROM BEHIND CONQUER, MANY OF HIS FAMOUS CRACK TROOPS HAVE ALREADY SHOT OUT!
YAAH!
THE TROOPS SWARM TOWARDS HIM FROM BOTH SIDES, IT IS CLEARLY A PREPARED ATTACK!
THE AGREED TIME HAS ALREADY PASSED, PEERLESS CASTLE DID NOT FIGHT AND HAS ALREADY LOST, THEREFORE YOU CAN NOT FIGHT WITH OUR MASTER!
SWORD SAINT APPEARS TO NOT NOTICE THEM AND CONTINUES MOVING FORWARD, IGNORING THE MULTITUDE AND FLOATING STRAIGHT THROUGH EMPTY SPACE....

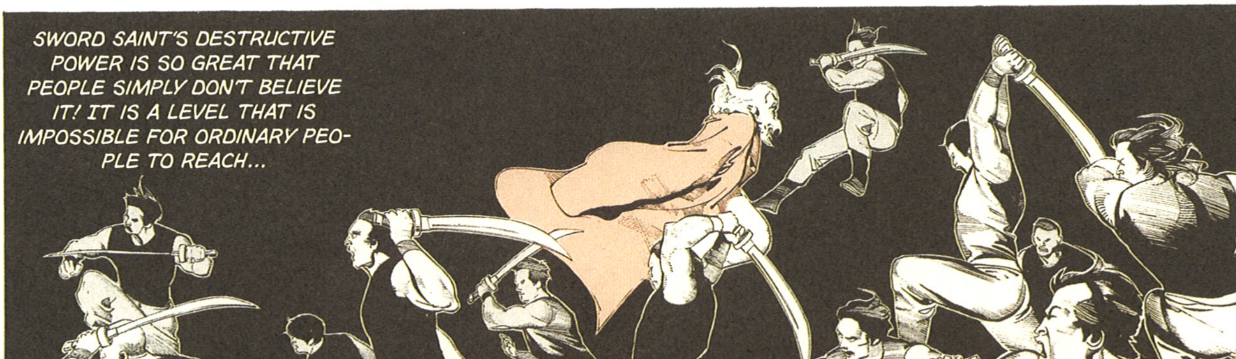

SUDDENLY SPARKLING RAYS OF LIGHT EMIT FROM SWORD SAINT'S BODY. IT IS INDESCRIBABLY STRANGE!
WOAH! HE...
THEN THE UNTHINKABLE OCCURS! EVERYBODY THERE FINDS THEMSELVES FROZEN, UNABLE TO MOVE, THEIR BLOOD BECOMING RIGID.
HOW CAN THIS BE?
AH! WHY CAN'T WE BUDGE ?

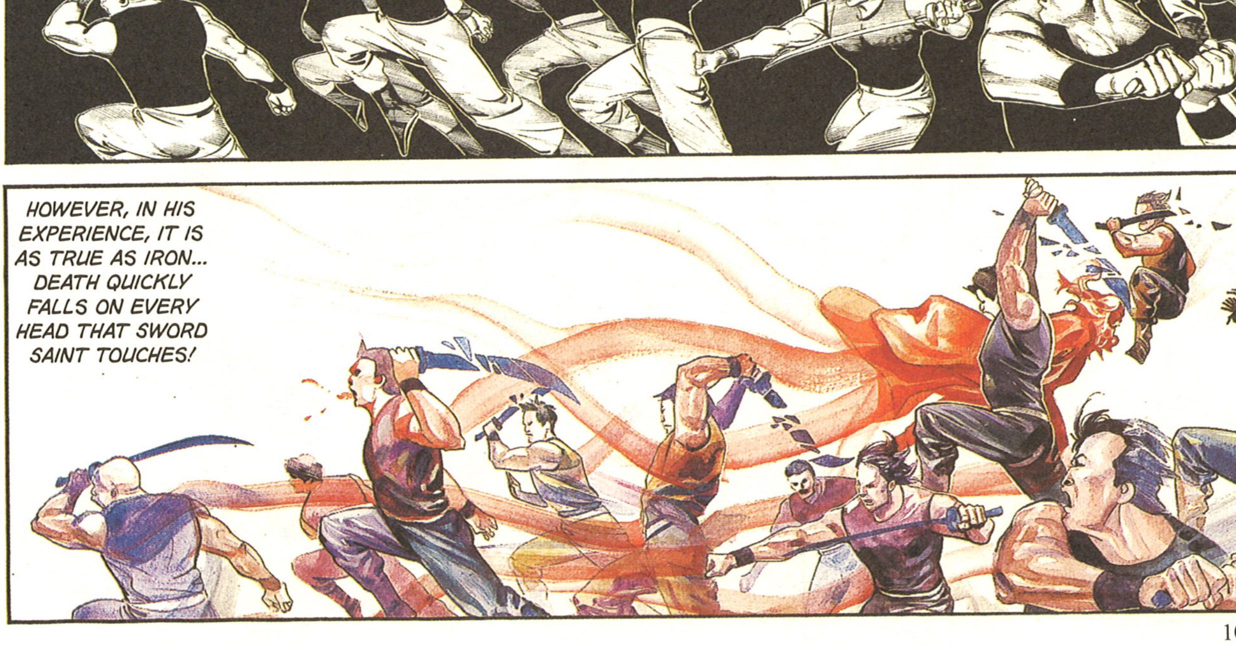

NOBODY THERE CAN MAKE THE SLIGHTEST MOVEMENT... TRULY AMAZING!
DEATH ALREADY TIGHTLY SHROUDS THE ELITE TRAINING GROUNDS...
EVERYTHING WITH LIFE IS SMOTHERED...
AND THE MAN WHO IS COMPLETELY IN CHARGE IS - SWORD SAINT!
HE TREADS HIS WAY THROUGH THE TIGHTLY PACKED PEOPLE.
EVERYONE THAT HE TOUCHES, THEIR LIVES FLY AWAY LIKE ASHES.
THE DEATH SPIRIT'S SUMMONS SHOUTS OUT TO STRIP EACH PERSON OF THEIR ABILITY!


AS SWORD SAINT ASCENDS THE TROOPS AS IF CLIMBING STAIRS, HE IS SURROUNDED IN EVERY DIRECTION BY AN ENDLESS DEATHLY STILLNESS!

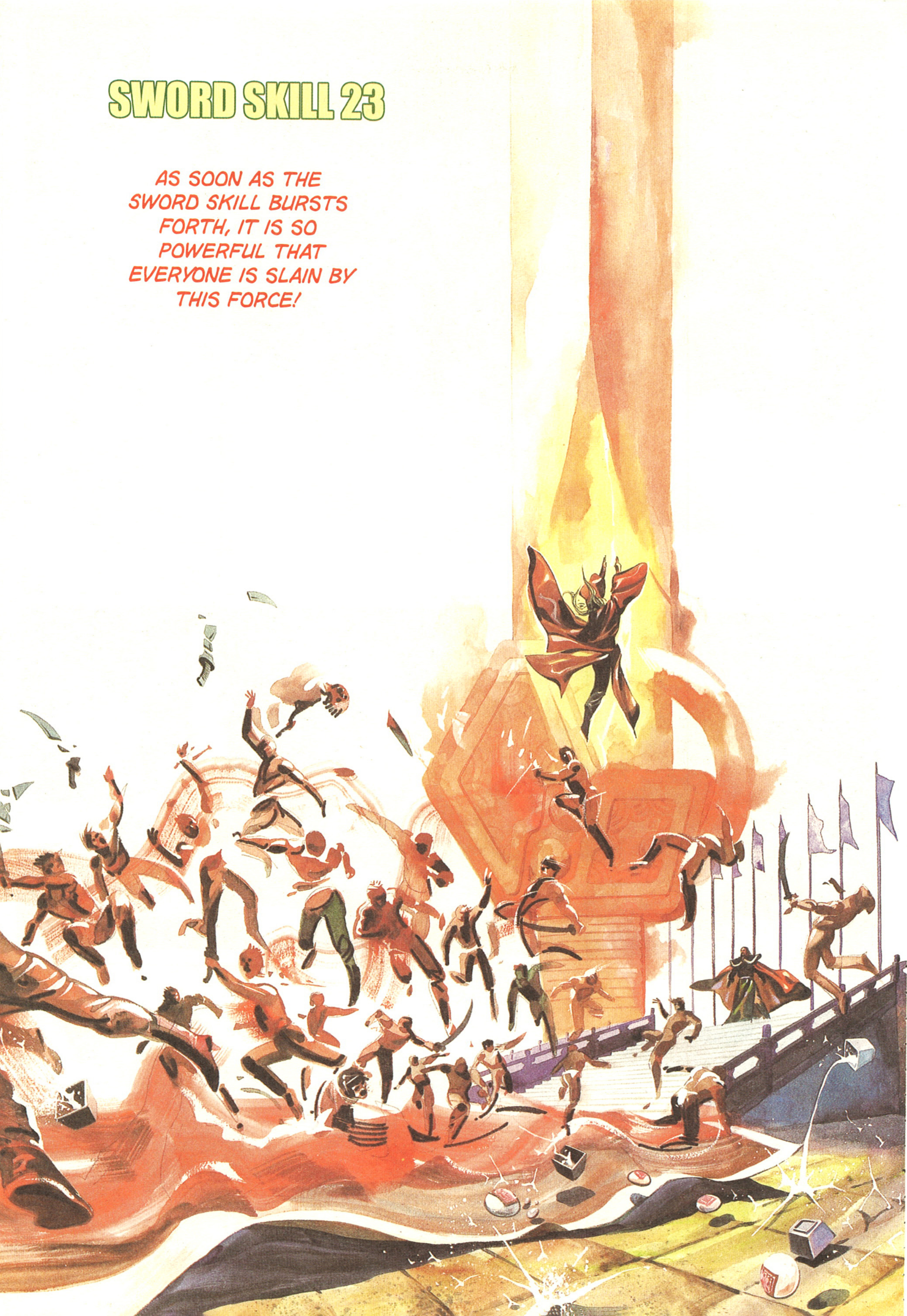

AS HIS OPPONENT CAME CLOSER, CONQUER WAS SURPRISINGLY POWERLESS!

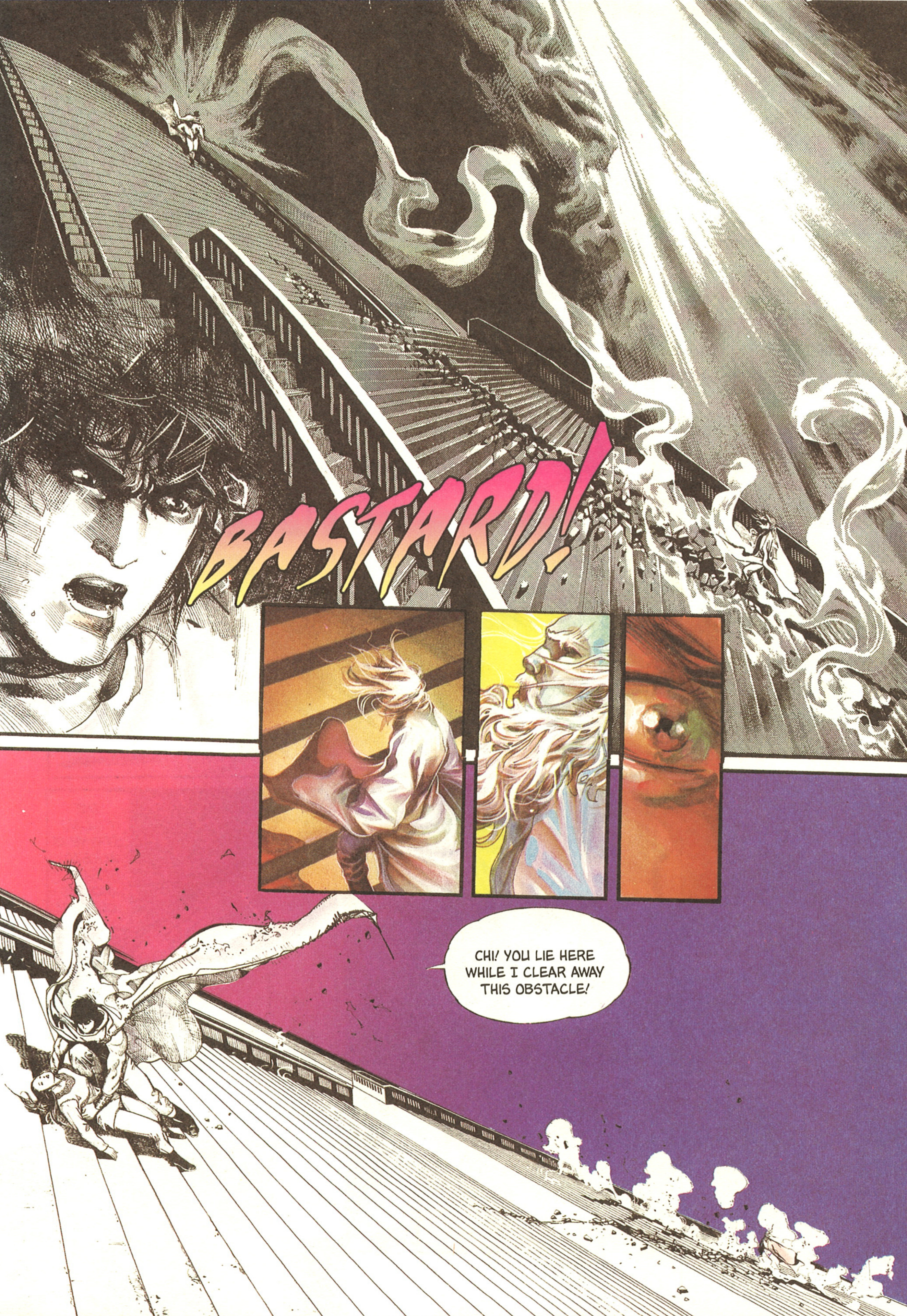

ALTHOUGH CONQUER TRIES TO MOVE HIS HAND, HE FINDS IT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO MAKE EVEN THE TINIEST MOVEMENT!


SWORD SAINT'S DESTRUCTIVE POWER IS SO GREAT THAT PEOPLE SIMPLY DON'T BELIEVE IT! IT IS A LEVEL THAT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR ORDINARY PEOPLE TO REACH...

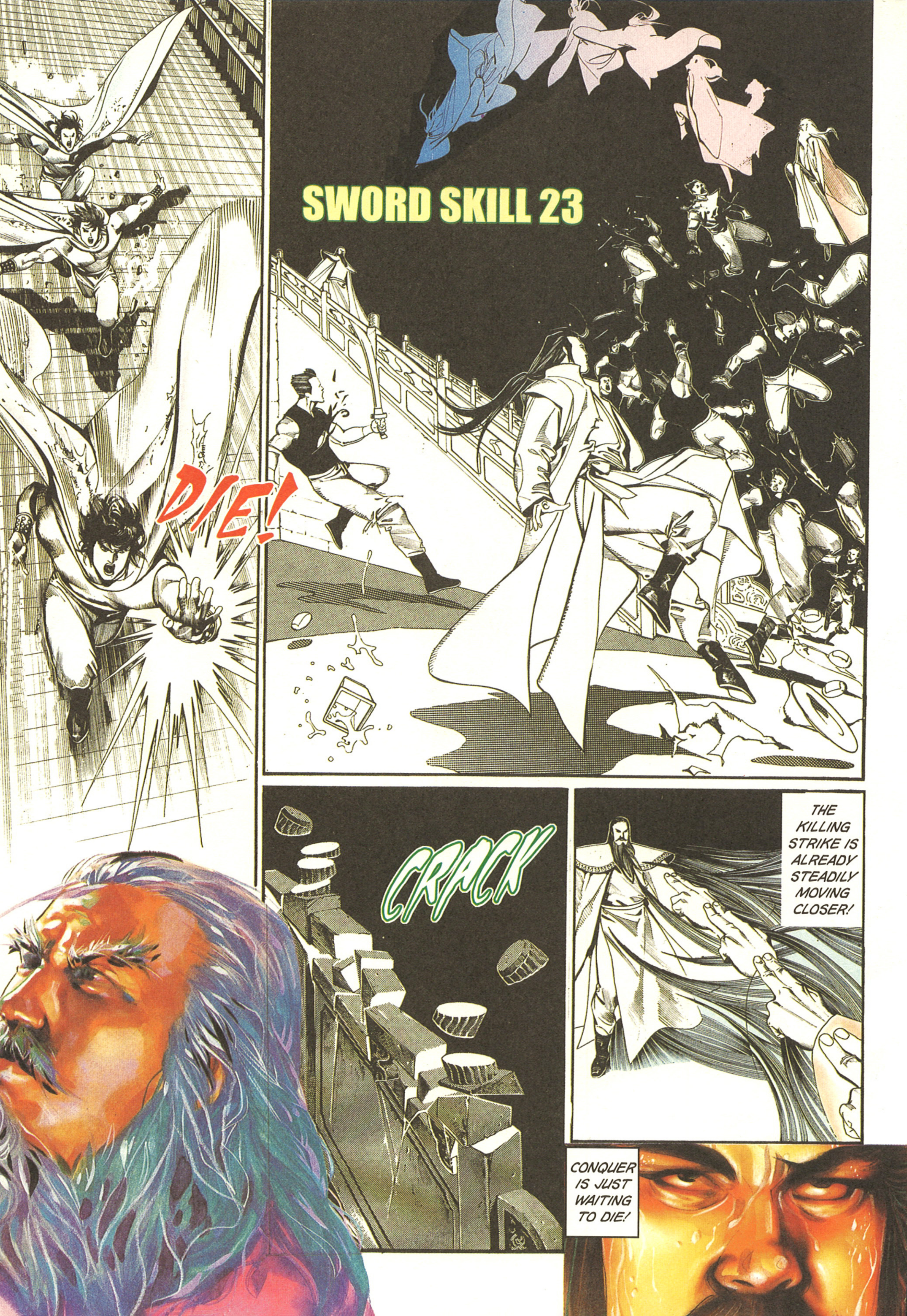

HOWEVER, IN HIS EXPERIENCE, IT IS AS TRUE AS IRON... DEATH QUICKLY FALLS ON EVERY HEAD THAT SWORD SAINT TOUCHES!

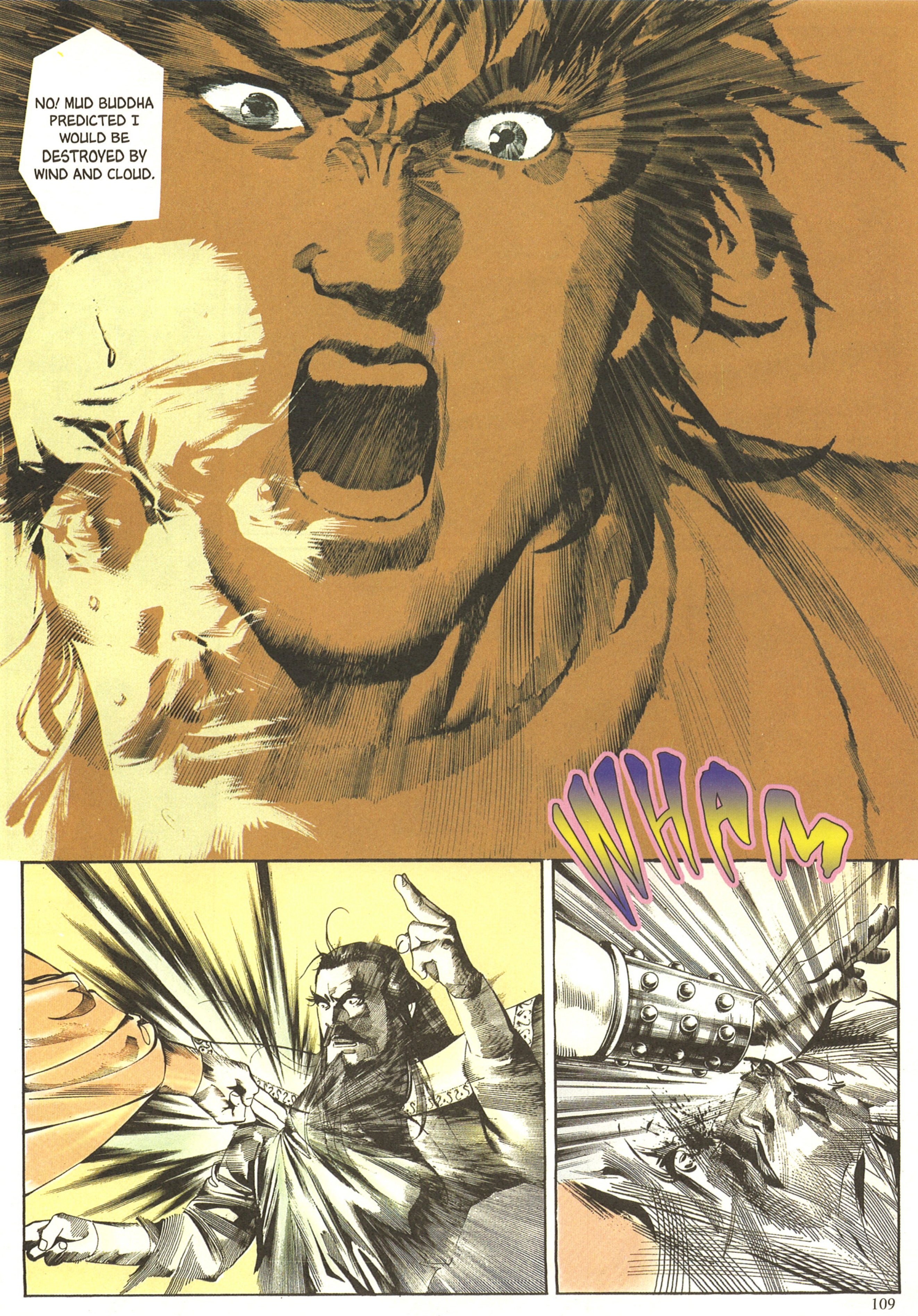
SWORD SKILL 23

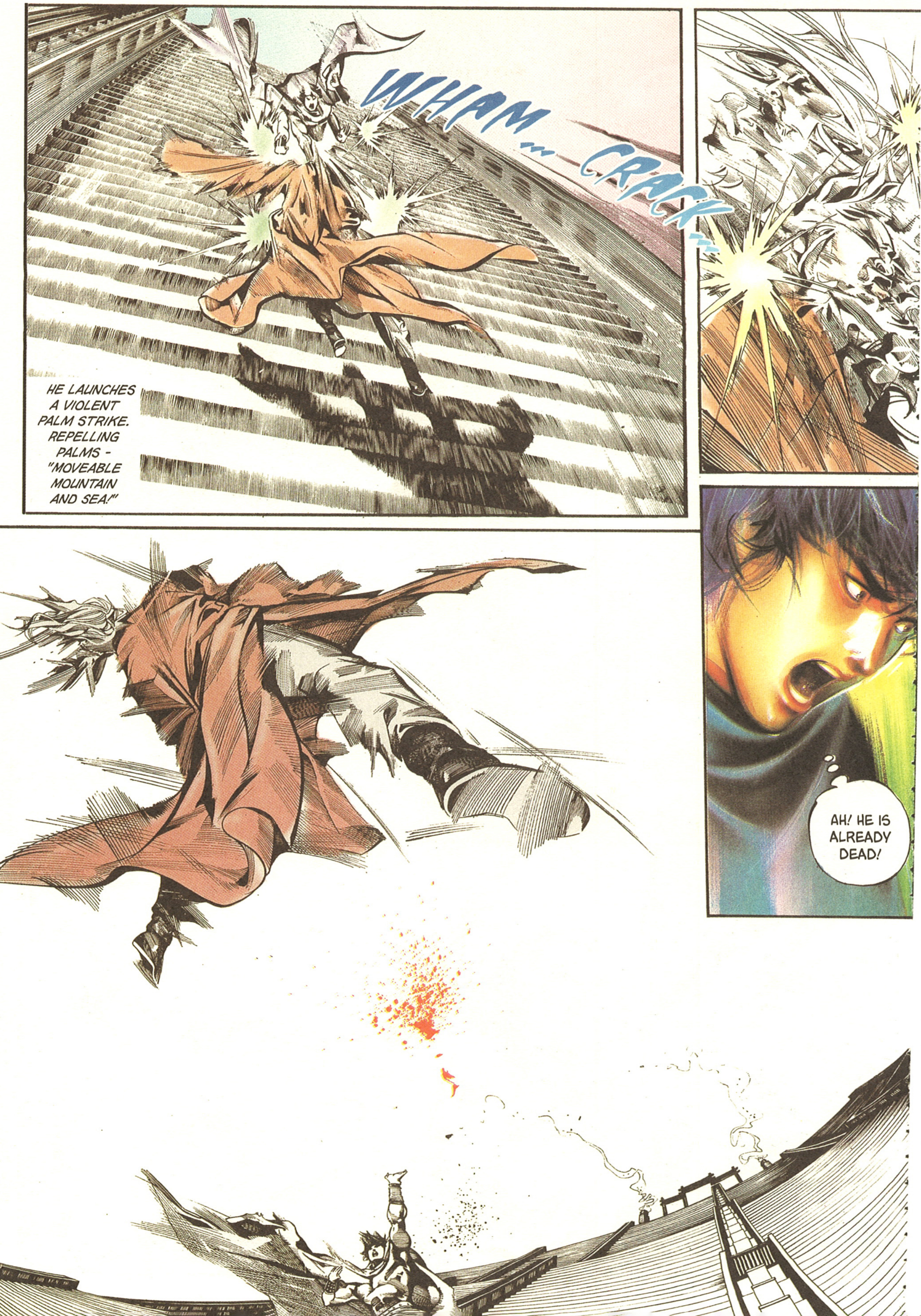

AS SOON AS THE SWORD SKILL BURSTS FORTH, IT IS SO POWERFUL THAT EVERYONE IS SLAIN BY THIS FORCE!

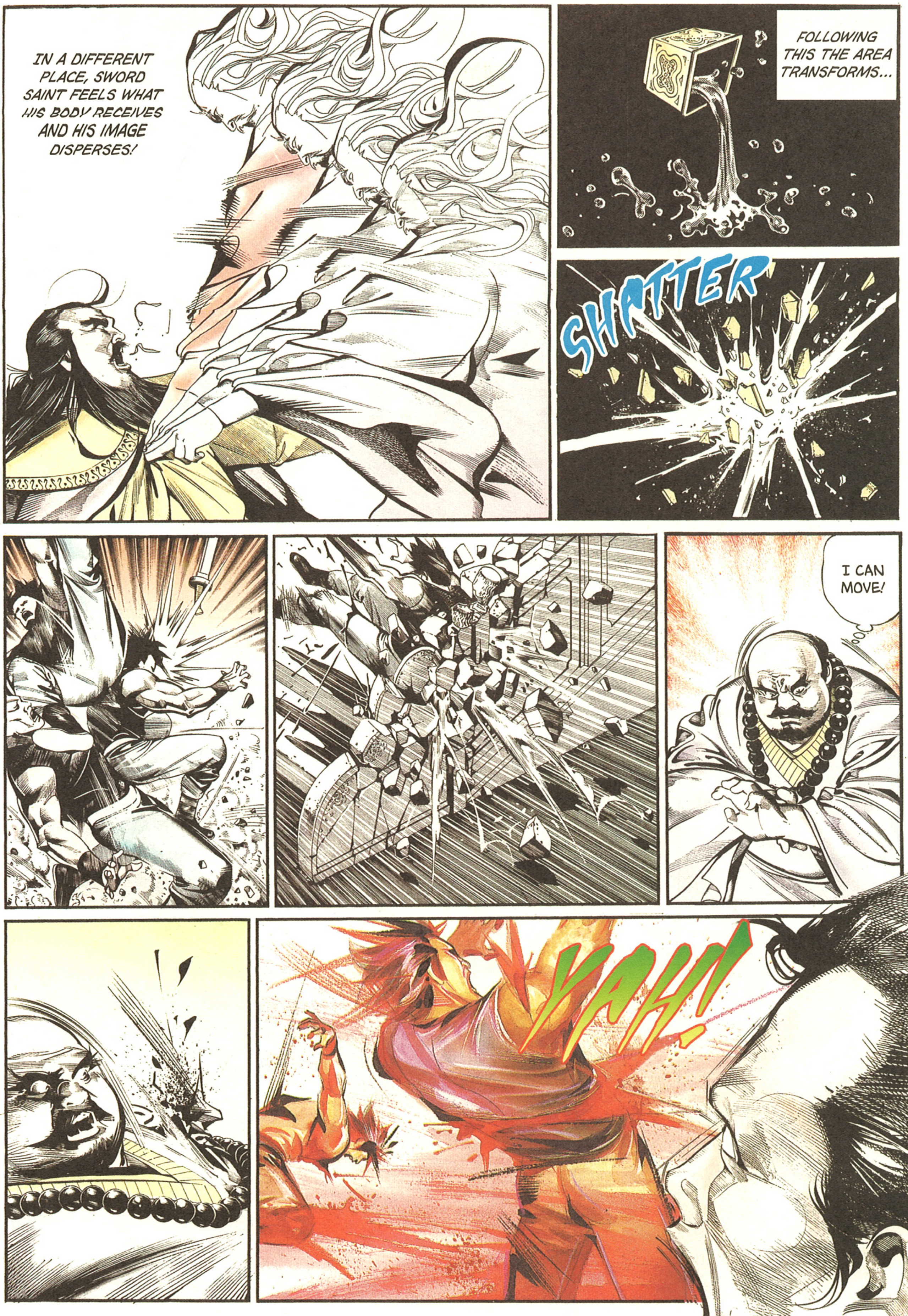

BASTARD!
CHI! YOU LIE HERE WHILE I CLEAR AWAY THIS OBSTACLE!

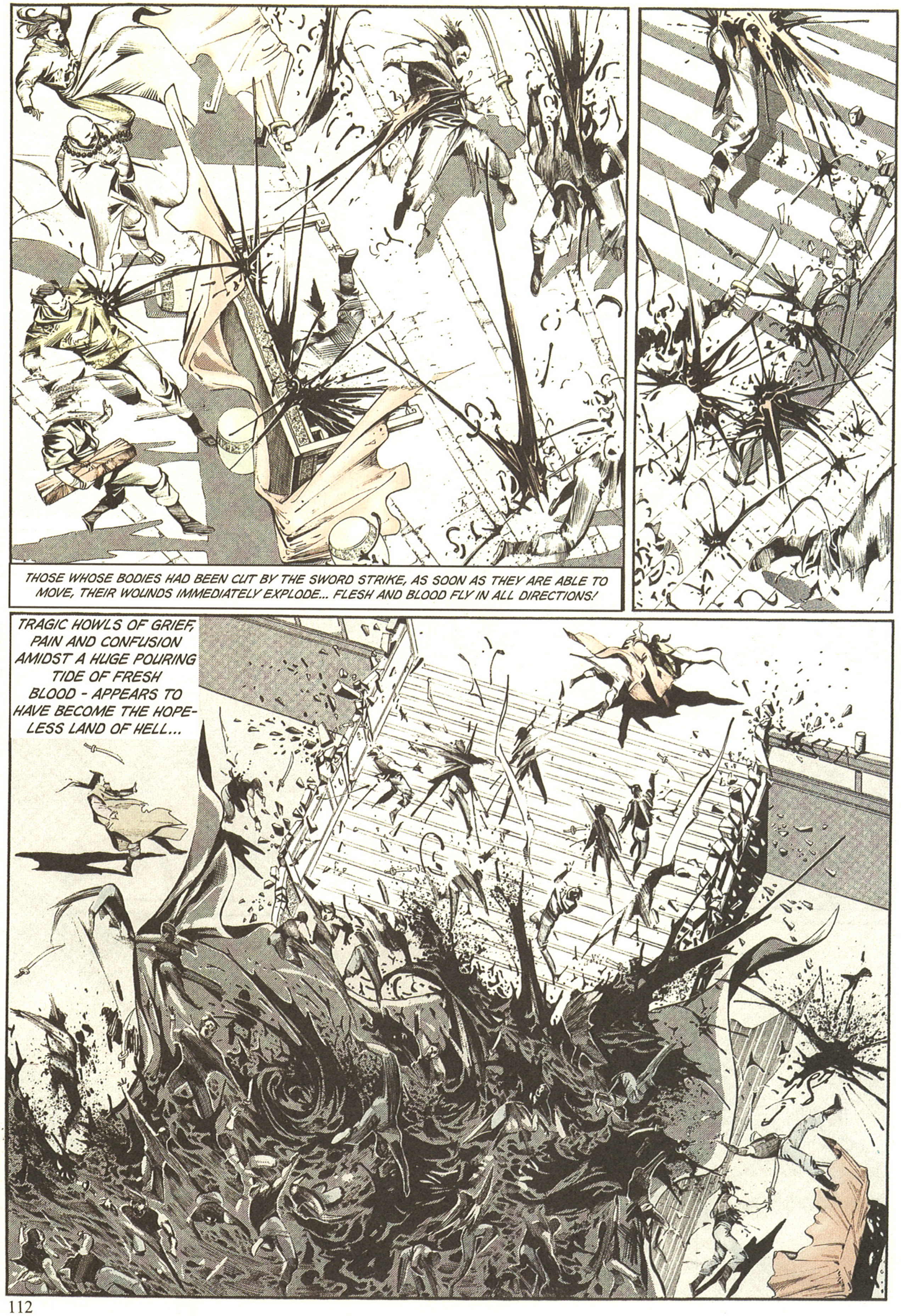
SWORD SKILL 23

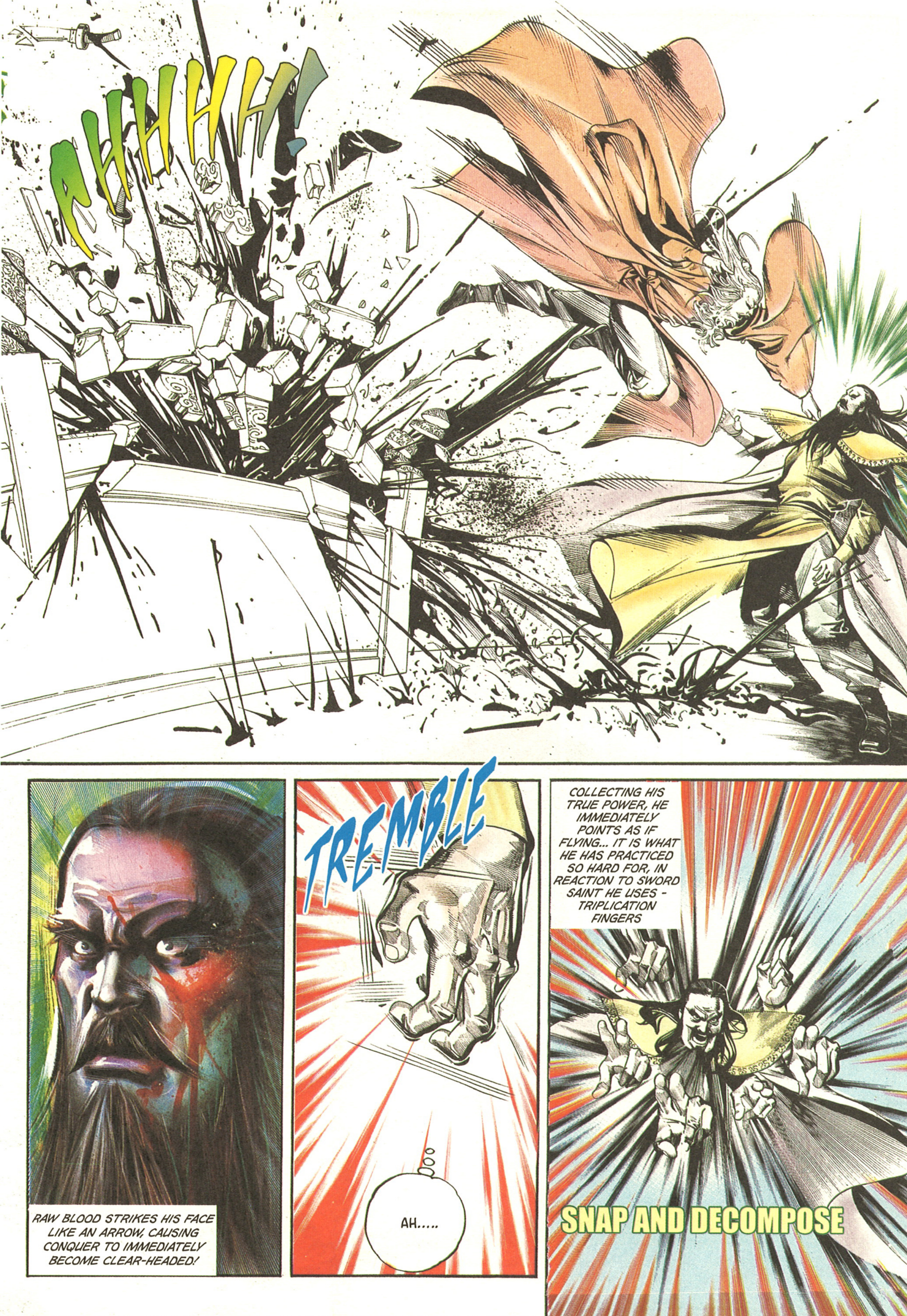

DIE!
CRACK
THE KILLING STRIKE IS ALREADY STEADILY MOVING CLOSER!
CONQUER IS JUST WAITING TO DIE!

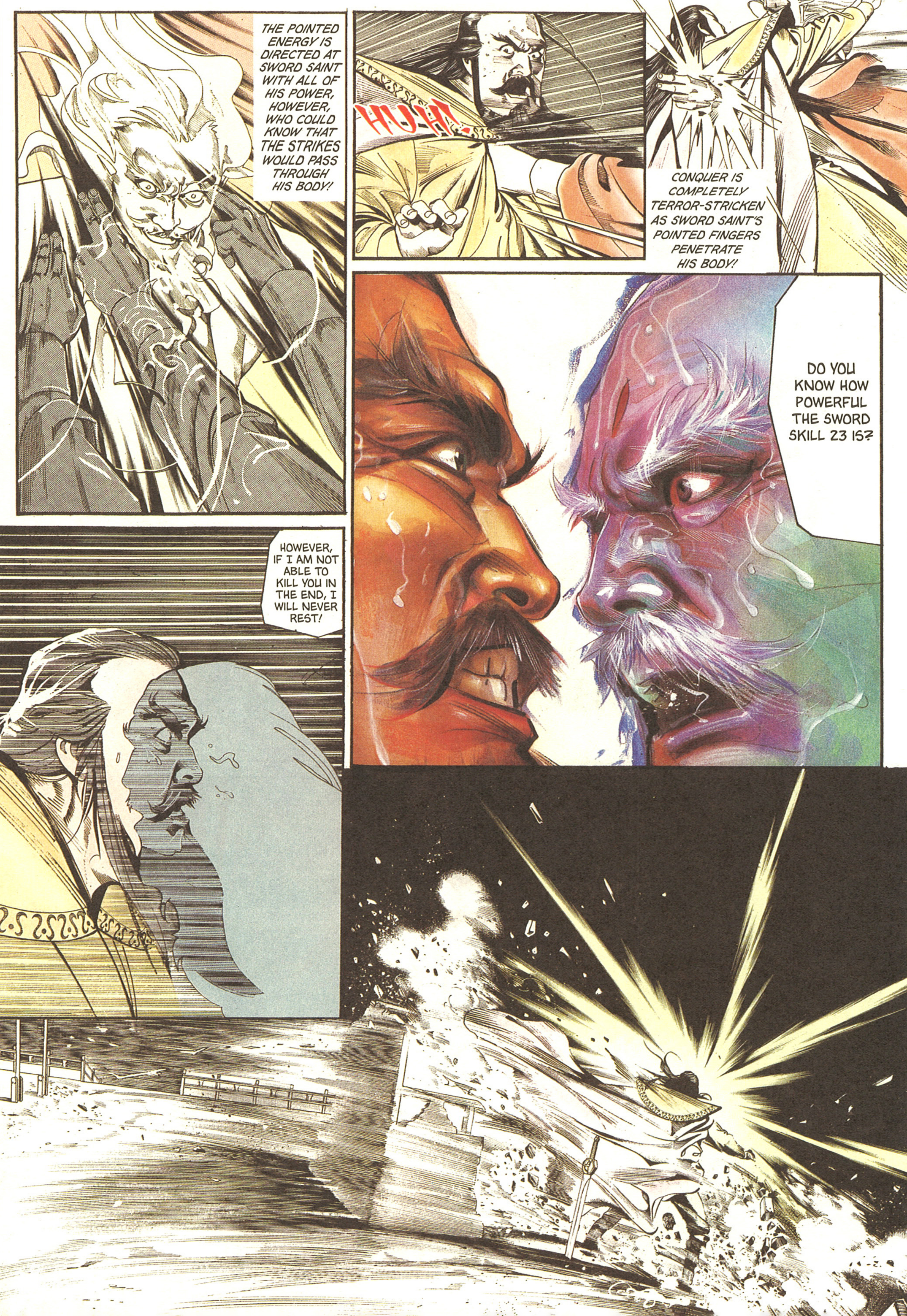

NO! MUD BUDDHA PREDICTED I WOULD BE DESTROYED BY WIND AND CLOUD.
WHAM

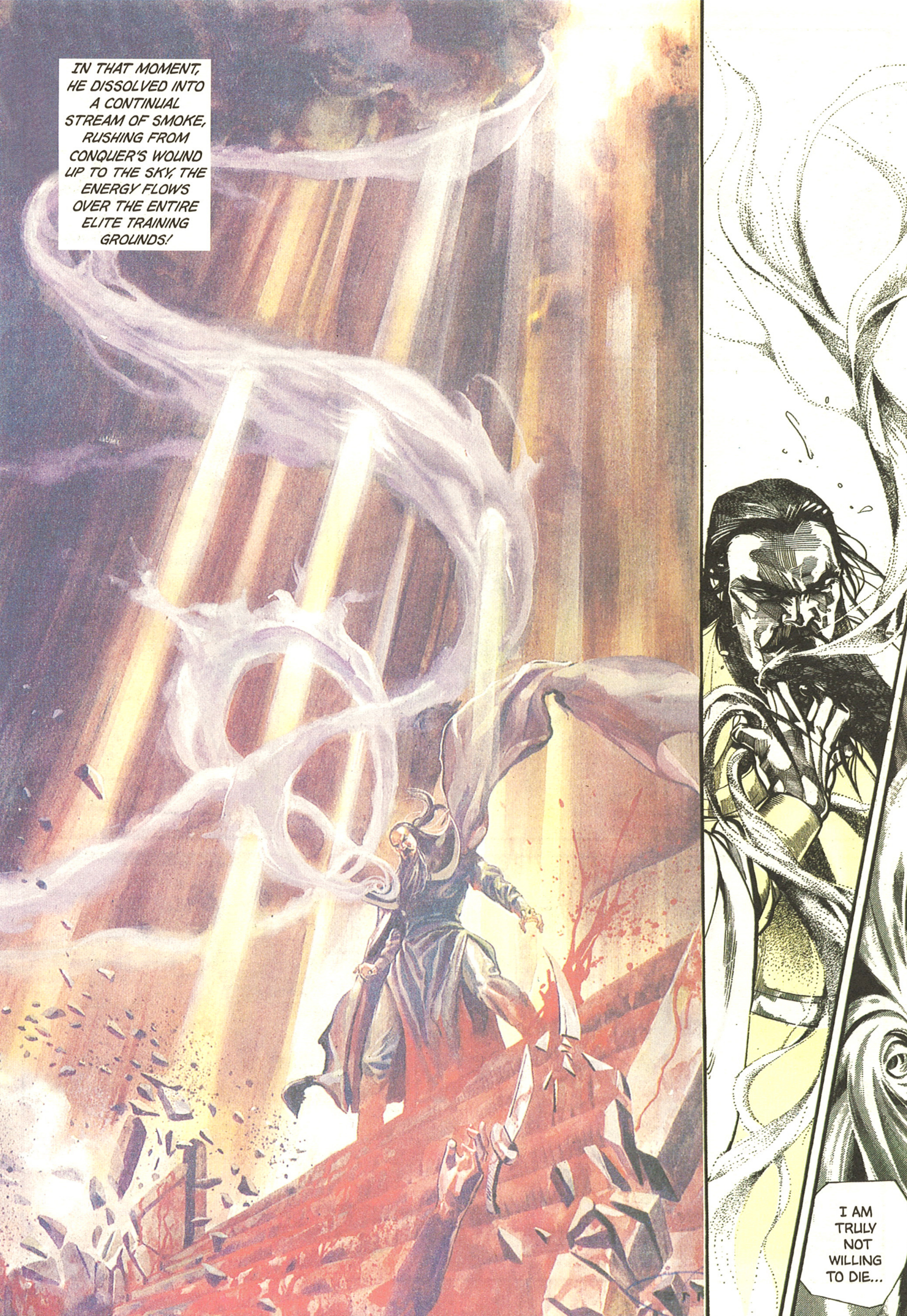

WHAM... CRACK...
HE LAUNCHES A VIOLENT PALM STRIKE. REPELLING PALMS - "MOVEABLE MOUNTAIN AND SEA!"
AH! HE IS ALREADY DEAD!

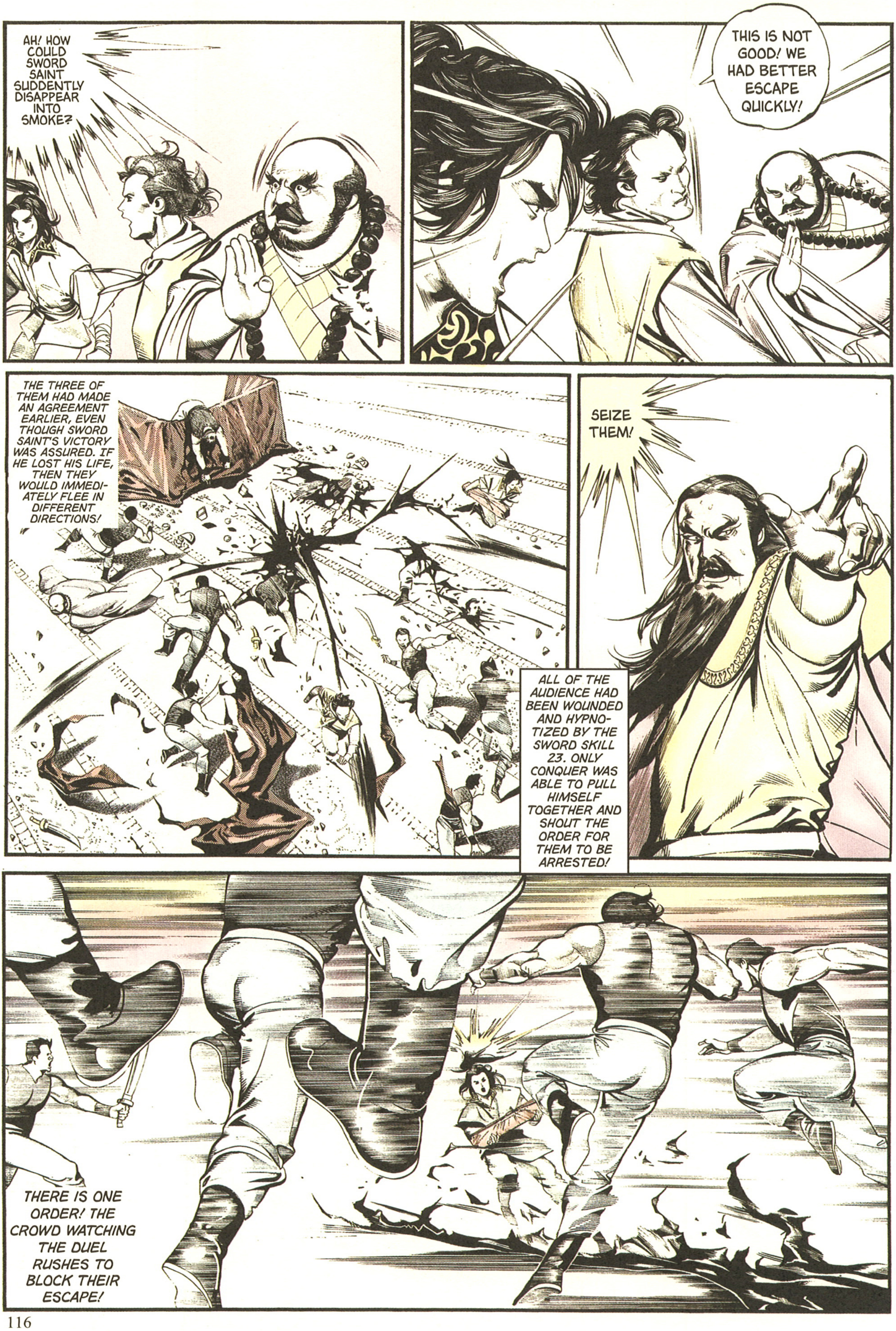

IN A DIFFERENT PLACE, SWORD SAINT FEELS WHAT HIS BODY RECEIVES AND HIS IMAGE DISPERSES!
FOLLOWING THIS THE AREA TRANSFORMS...
SHATTER
I CAN MOVE!
YAH!

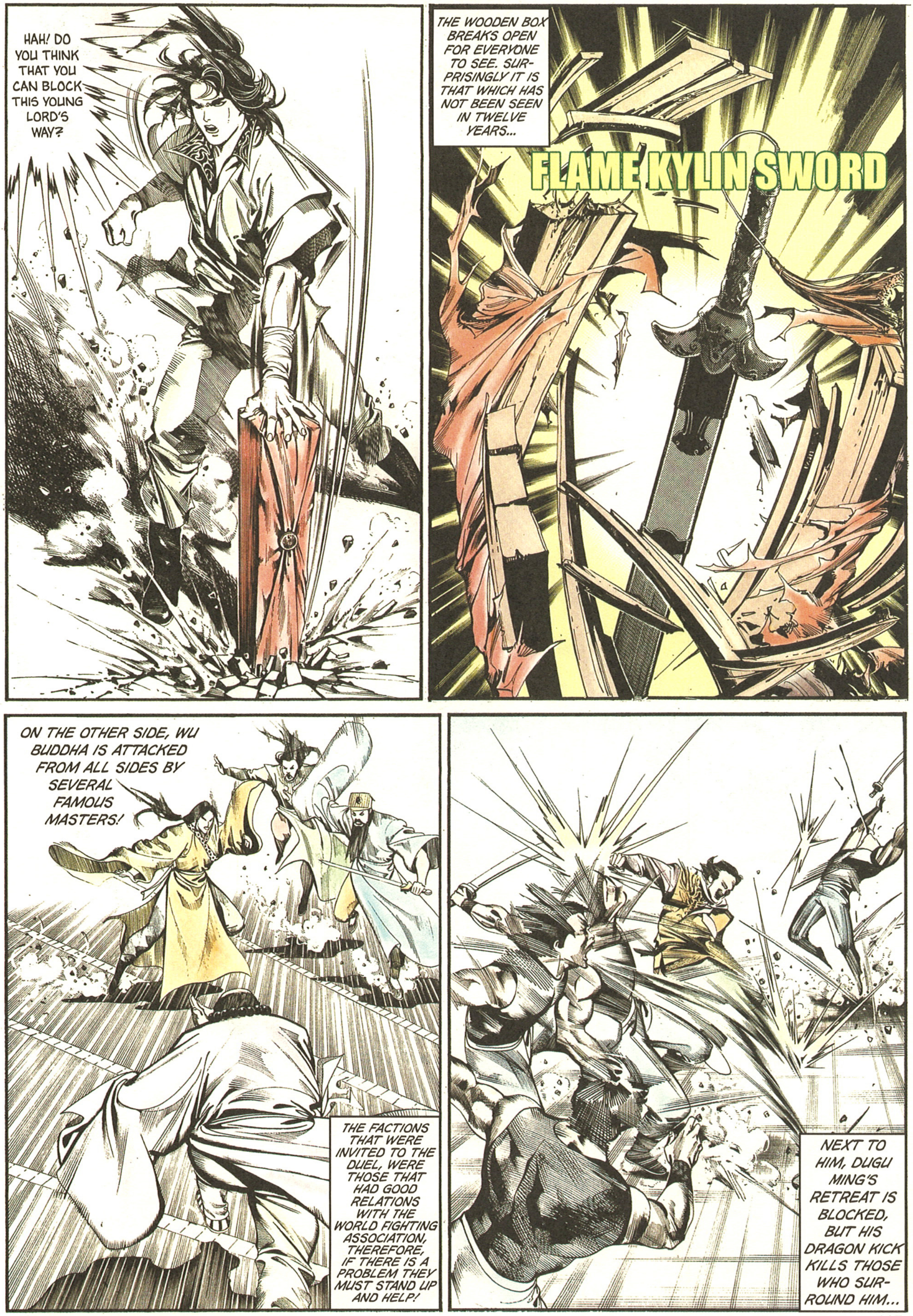

THOSE WHOSE BODIES HAD BEEN CUT BY THE SWORD STRIKE, AS SOON AS THEY ARE ABLE TO MOVE, THEIR WOUNDS IMMEDIATELY EXPLODE... FLESH AND BLOOD FLY IN ALL DIRECTIONS!
TRAGIC HOWLS OF GRIEF, PAIN AND CONFUSION AMIDST A HUGE POURING TIDE OF FRESH BLOOD - APPEARS TO HAVE BECOME THE HOPELESS LAND OF HELL...

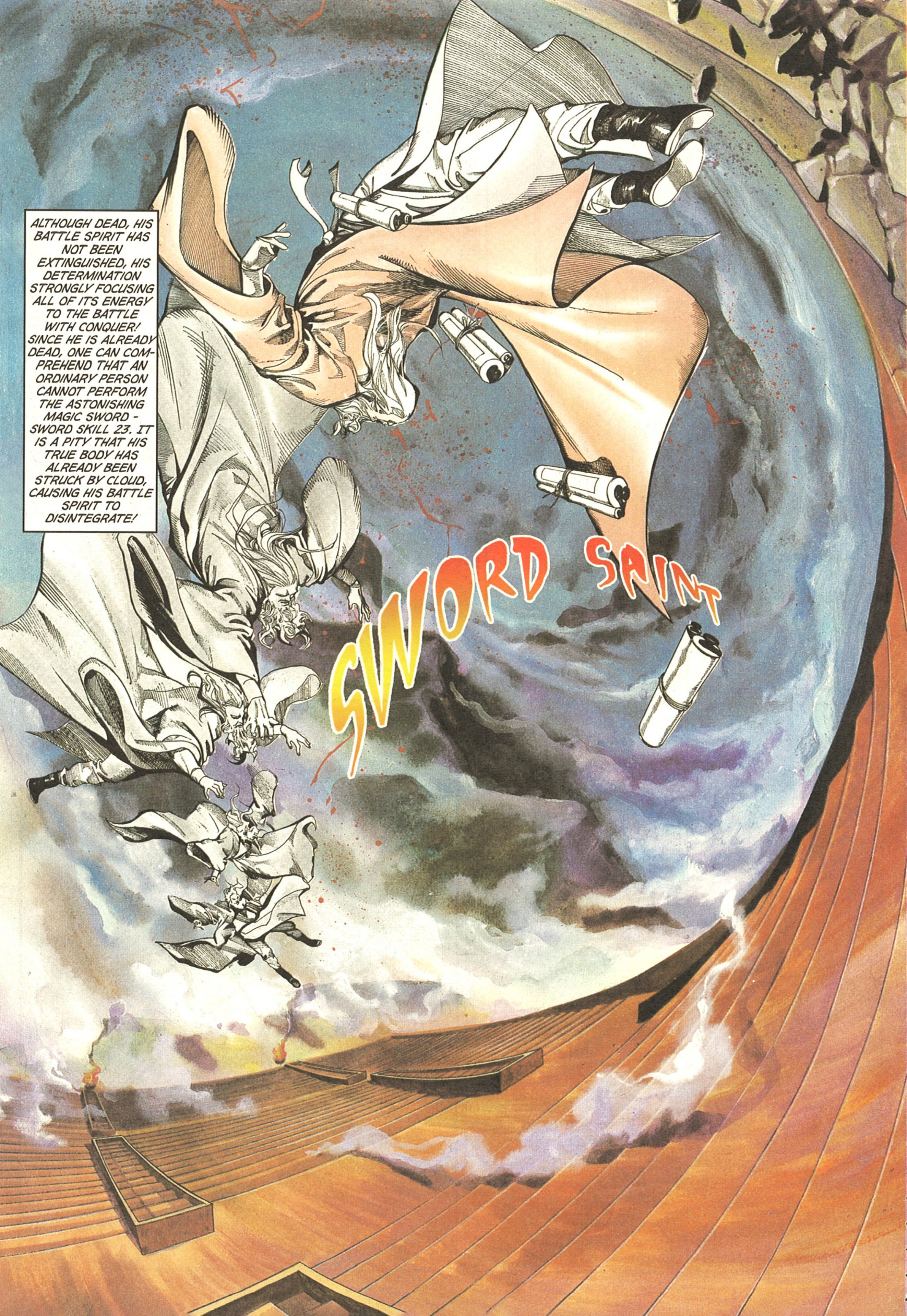

AHHHH!
RAW BLOOD STRIKES HIS FACE LIKE AN ARROW, CAUSING CONQUER TO IMMEDIATELY BECOME CLEAR-HEADED!
TREMBLE
AH.....
COLLECTING HIS TRUE POWER, HE IMMEDIATELY POINTS AS IF FLYING... IT IS WHAT HE HAS PRACTICED SO HARD FOR, IN REACTION TO SWORD SAINT HE USES - TRIPLICATION FINGERS
SNAP AND DECOMPOSE

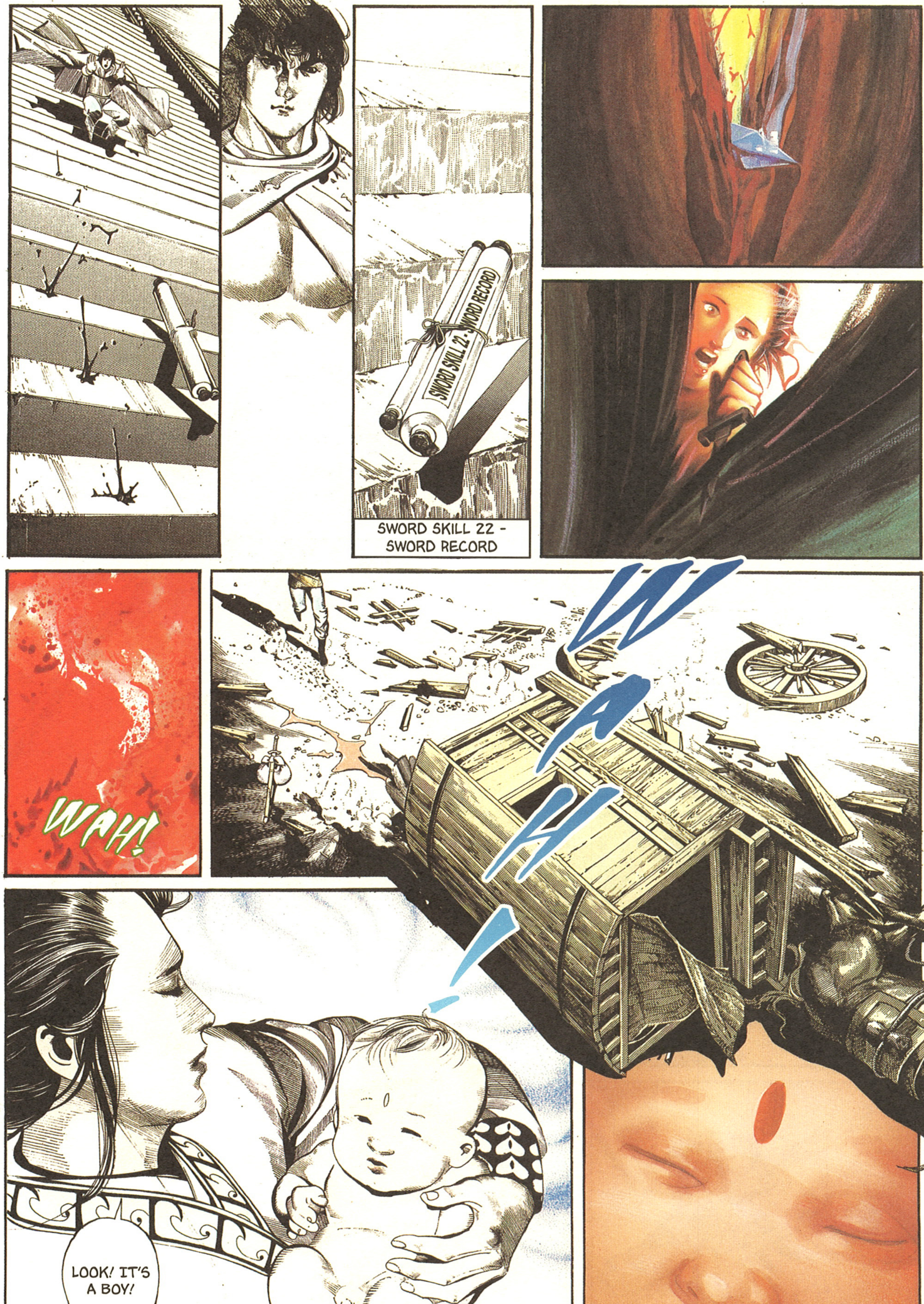

THE POINTED ENERGY IS DIRECTED AT SWORD SAINT WITH ALL OF HIS POWER, HOWEVER, WHO COULD KNOW THAT THE STRIKES WOULD PASS THROUGH HIS BODY!
HUH!
CONQUER IS COMPLETELY TERROR-STRICKEN AS SWORD SAINT'S POINTED FINGERS PENETRATE HIS BODY!
DO YOU KNOW HOW POWERFUL THE SWORD SKILL 23 IS?
HOWEVER, IF I AM NOT ABLE TO KILL YOU IN THE END, I WILL NEVER REST!


IN THAT MOMENT, HE DISSOLVED INTO A CONTINUAL STREAM OF SMOKE, RUSHING FROM CONQUER'S WOUND UP TO THE SKY, THE ENERGY FLOWS OVER THE ENTIRE ELITE TRAINING GROUNDS!
I AM TRULY NOT WILLING TO DIE...


AH! HOW COULD SWORD SAINT SUDDENTLY DISAPPEAR INTO SMOKE?
THIS IS NOT GOOD! WE HAD BETTER ESCAPE QUICKLY!
THE THREE OF THEM HAD MADE AN AGREEMENT EARLIER, EVEN THOUGH SWORD SAINT'S VICTORY WAS ASSURED. IF HE LOST HIS LIFE, THEN THEY WOULD IMMEDIATELY FLEE IN DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS!
SEIZE THEM!
ALL OF THE AUDIENCE HAD BEEN WOUNDED AND HYPNOTIZED BY THE SWORD SKILL 23. ONLY CONQUER WAS ABLE TO PULL HIMSELF TOGETHER AND SHOUT THE ORDER FOR THEM TO BE ARRESTED!
THERE IS ONE ORDER! THE CROWD WATCHING THE DUEL RUSHES TO BLOCK THEIR ESCAPE!


HAH! DO YOU THINK THAT YOU CAN BLOCK THIS YOUNG LORD'S WAY?
THE WOODEN BOX BREAKS OPEN FOR EVERYONE TO SEE. SURPRISINGLY IT IS THAT WHICH HAS NOT BEEN SEEN IN TWELVE YEARS...
FLAME KYLIN SWORD
ON THE OTHER SIDE, WU BUDDHA IS ATTACKED FROM ALL SIDES BY SEVERAL FAMOUS MASTERS!
THE FACTIONS THAT WERE INVITED TO THE DUEL, WERE THOSE THAT HAD GOOD RELATIONS WITH THE WORLD FIGHTING ASSOCIATION, THEREFORE, IF THERE IS A PROBLEM THEY MUST STAND UP AND HELP!
NEXT TO HIM, DUGU MING'S RETREAT IS BLOCKED, BUT HIS DRAGON KICK KILLS THOSE WHO SURROUND HIM...


ALTHOUGH DEAD, HIS BATTLE SPIRIT HAS NOT BEEN EXTINGUISHED, HIS DETERMINATION STRONGLY FOCUSING ALL OF ITS ENERGY TO THE BATTLE WITH CONQUER! SINCE HE IS ALREADY DEAD, ONE CAN COMPREHEND THAT AN ORDINARY PERSON CANNOT PERFORM THE ASTONISHING MAGIC SWORD - SWORD SKILL 23. IT IS A PITY THAT HIS TRUE BODY HAS ALREADY BEEN STRUCK BY CLOUD, CAUSING HIS BATTLE SPIRIT TO DISINTEGRATE!
SWORD SAINT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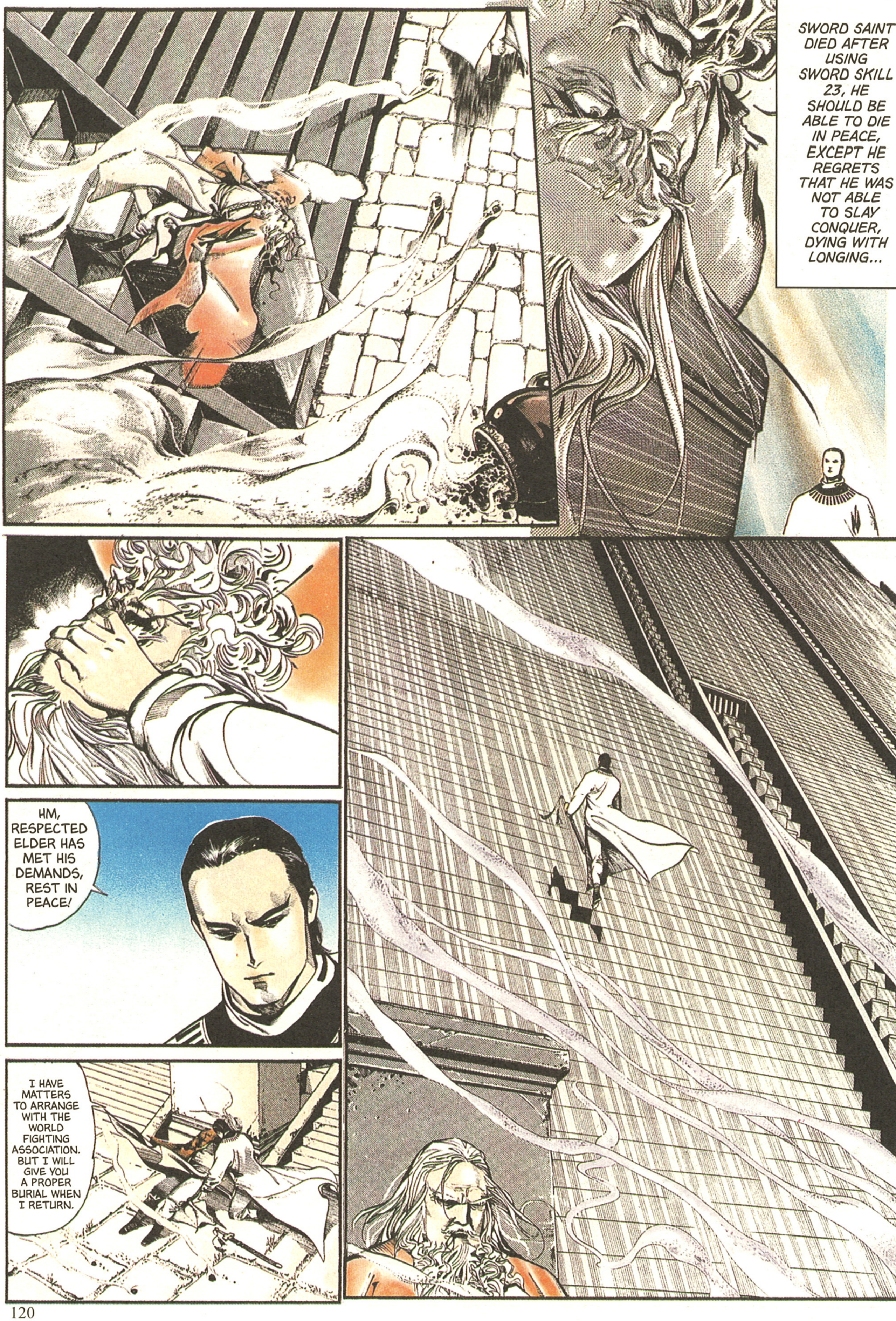
WAH!
WAH!
LOOK! IT'S A BOY!


SWORD SAINT DIED AFTER USING SWORD SKILL 23, HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO DIE IN PEACE, EXCEPT HE REGRETS THAT HE WAS NOT ABLE TO SLAY CONQUER, DYING WITH LONGING...
HM, RESPECTED ELDER HAS MET HIS DEMANDS, REST IN PEACE!
I HAVE MATTERS TO ARRANGE WITH THE WORLD FIGHTING ASSOCIATION. BUT I WILL GIVE YOU A PROPER BURIAL WHEN I RETURN.

Author's Notes

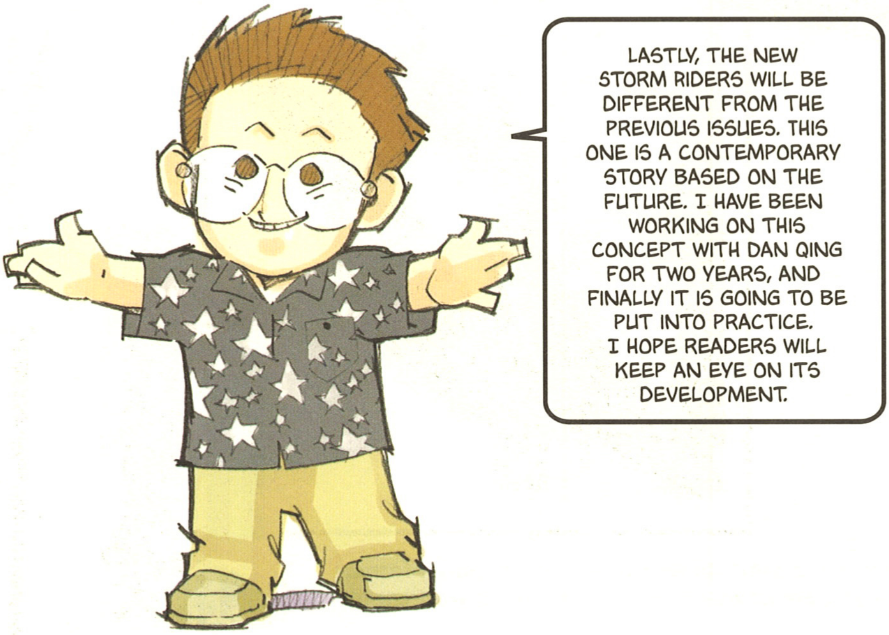
WORK, WORK AND MORE WORK! LATELY THE WORKLOAD HAS BEEN OVERWHELMING, MAINLY BECAUSE I AM THE CHIEF EDITOR OF THE "BLACK LEOPARD." AFTER HAVING EDITED FOUR ISSUES OF BLACK LEOPARD, NOT ONLY I LEARN TO MANAGE MY TIME BETTER AND CLEVERER, BUT ALSO I AM GETTING A HOLD OF THE JOB AND THE QUALITY OF THE PUBLICATION CONTINUES TO IMPROVE. I DO NOT FEEL BUTTERFLIES IN MY STOMACH ANYMORE. NOW THE PUBLICATION OF BLACK LEOPARD IS RUNNING SMOOTHLY, THE NEXT THING IS TO TAKE IT ONE STEP FURTHER. IN THE JULY ISSUE, BLACK LEOPARD WILL PRESENT A SERIES OF SURPRISES, AND READERS ARE ADVICED TO KEEP AN EYE ON IT.

FOLLOWING JULY IS THE PREPARATION FOR THE COMIC FESTIVAL - THE MOST TEDIOUS WORK AND DIFFICULT TASK TO DEAL WITH. INDEED, EVERYTHING IS ALREADY IN PLACE OTHERWISE WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PUBLISH THE BOOKS DURING THE FESTIVAL. THIS YEAR, ON TOP OF THE "MUST-HAVE" SPECIALTIES AVAILABLE EVERY YEAR, WE WILL ALSO PRODUCE PRODUCTS WITH VERY UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS.

THE FIRST ONE IS THE COMPUTER ANIMATION. I WILL DIRECT THE PRODUCTION OF A SERIES OF ANIMATIONS, THOUGH THEY ARE STILL IN PROCESS AND TIME IS RUNNING SHORT. I DO NOT WANT TO GIVE VIEWERS AN EXAGGERATED DESCRIPTION OF THE ANIMATION, IN CASE THE RESULTS CANNOT MEET THEIR EXPECTATIONS. I WILL INTRODUCE IT TO THE PUBLIC IN DETAIL ONCE IT IS COMPLETED. COMPARED WITH THE ANIMATION I PRODUCED TWO YEARS AGO, THIS TIME I HAVE AN ARMY OF ANIMATION EXPERTS TO HELP ME OUT. THERE IS NO DOUBT THE RESULTS WILL BE MUCH SATISFACTORY THAN THE PREVIOUS WORK.

SECOND, I WILL PRODUCE A COMIC BOOK BASED ON MOVIE. COMIC BOOKS BASED ON MOVIES HAVE BEEN NEITHER THE MAINSTREAM PRODUCT IN THE MARKET NOR THE BEST SELLER. THEN WHAT KIND OF MOVIE-BASED COMIC BOOK WOULD SUDDENLY INCITE MY ENTHUSIASM? I WILL INTRODUCE THIS BOOK TO READERS DURING THE FESTIVAL, A BOOK THAT TOUCHES MY HEART AND CALLS FOR MY IMMEDIATE ACTION. THIS IS ALSO THE REASON FOR DELAYING THE RELEASE OF "GOOD-BYE ANONYMOUS."

THIRD, I WILL ESPECIALLY INTRODUCE TWO COMIC BOOKS TO THE PUBLIC DURING THIS YEAR'S FESTIVAL; HOPE READERS WILL BUY AND KEEP THEM AS COLLECTIONS. THE CONCEPT FORMULATING THESE TWO BOOKS IS QUITE UNCONVENTIONAL, THOUGH THEY ARE STILL IN PRODUCTION. I THINK ANOTHER TWO MORE WEEKS AND I SHOULD BE ABLE TO PRESENT THEM TO READERS. I AM SURE READERS WHO ENJOYED STORM RIDERS WILL ALSO LIKE THIS ONE.


LASTLY, THE NEW STORM RIDERS WILL BE DIFFERENT FROM THE PREVIOUS ISSUES. THIS ONE IS A CONTEMPORARY STORY BASED ON THE FUTURE. I HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THIS CONCEPT WITH DAN QING FOR TWO YEARS, AND FINALLY IT IS GOING TO BE PUT INTO PRACTICE. I HOPE READERS WILL KEEP AN EYE ON ITS DEVELOPMENT.

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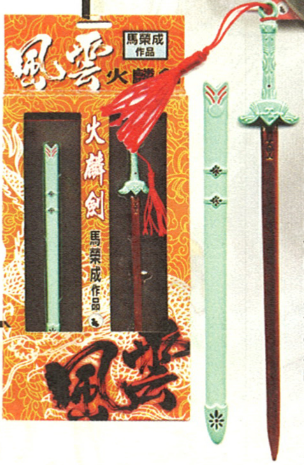

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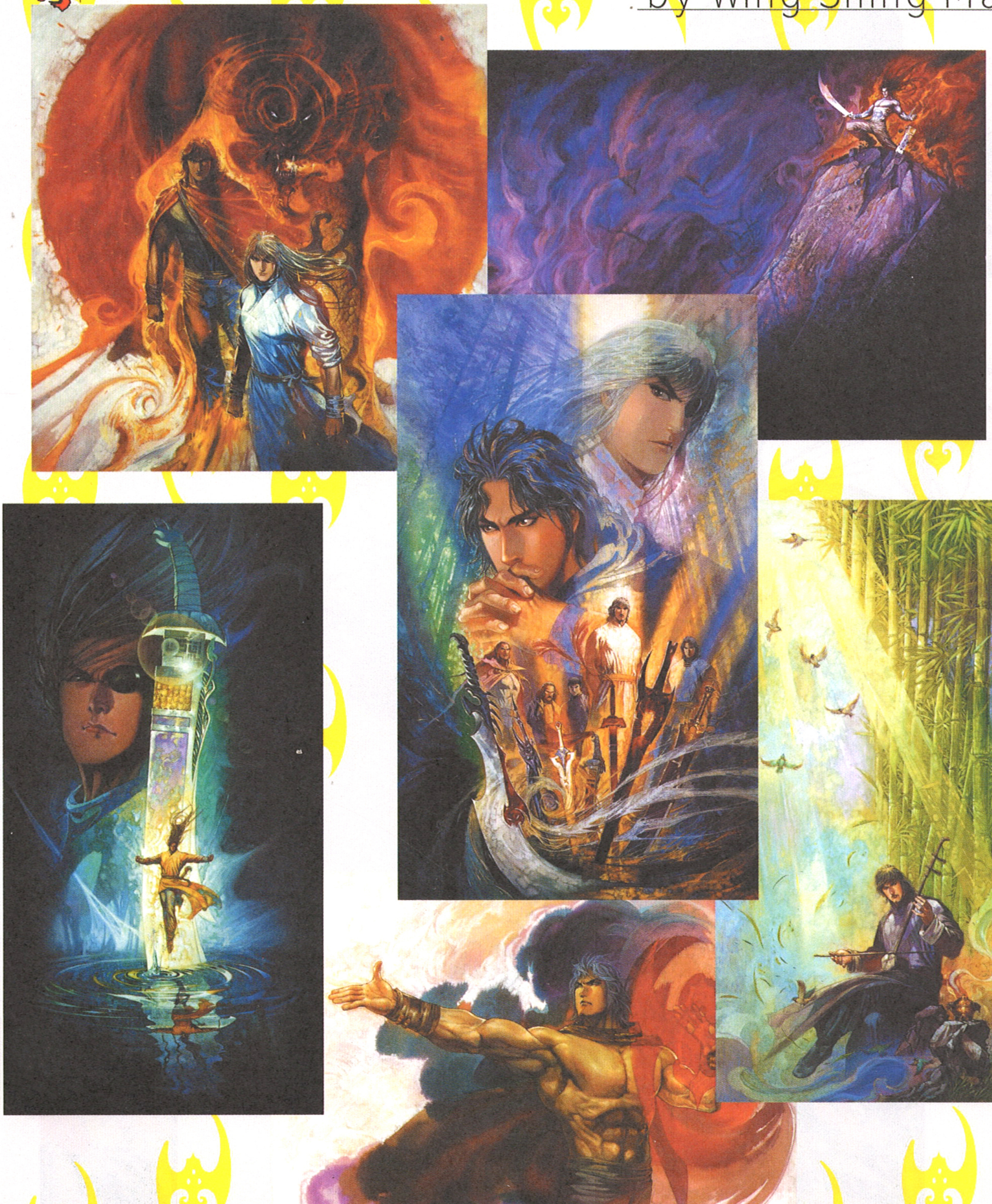

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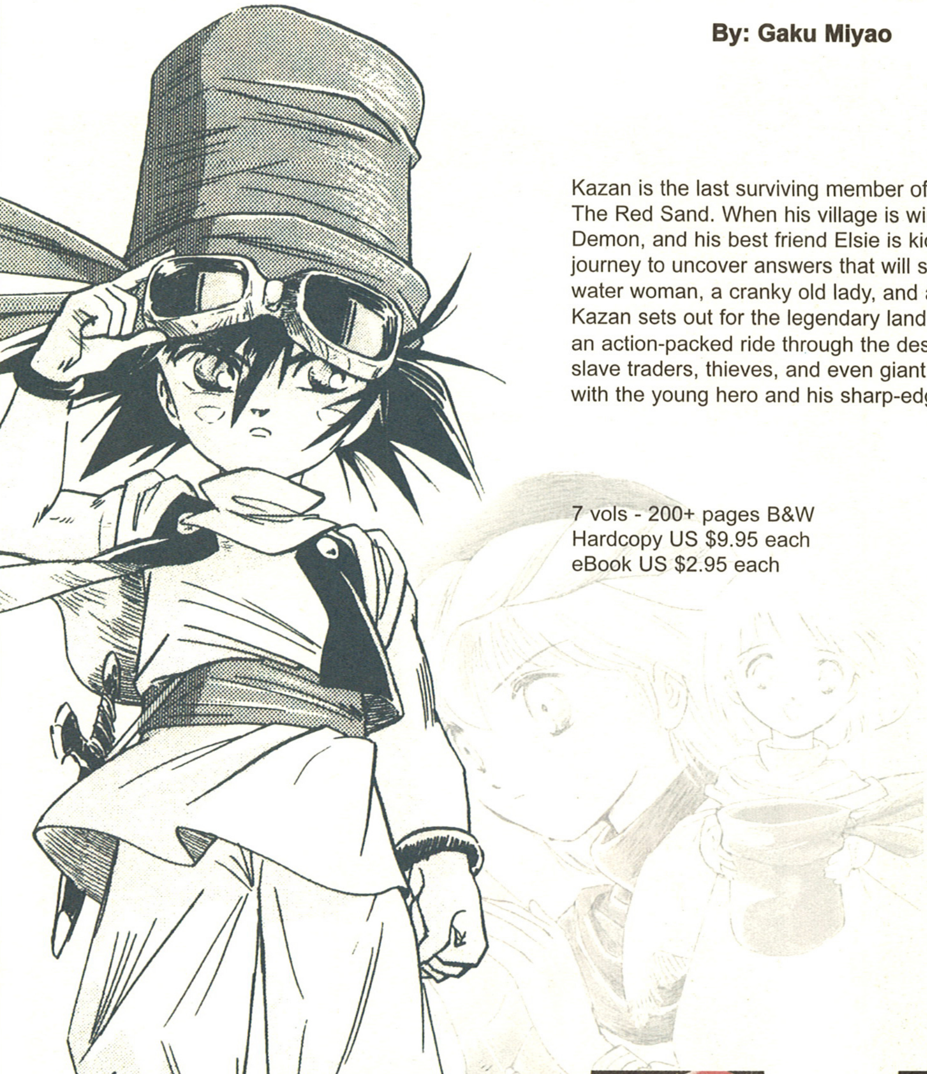

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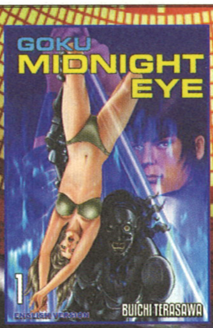
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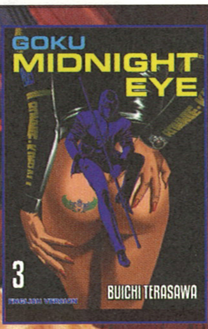
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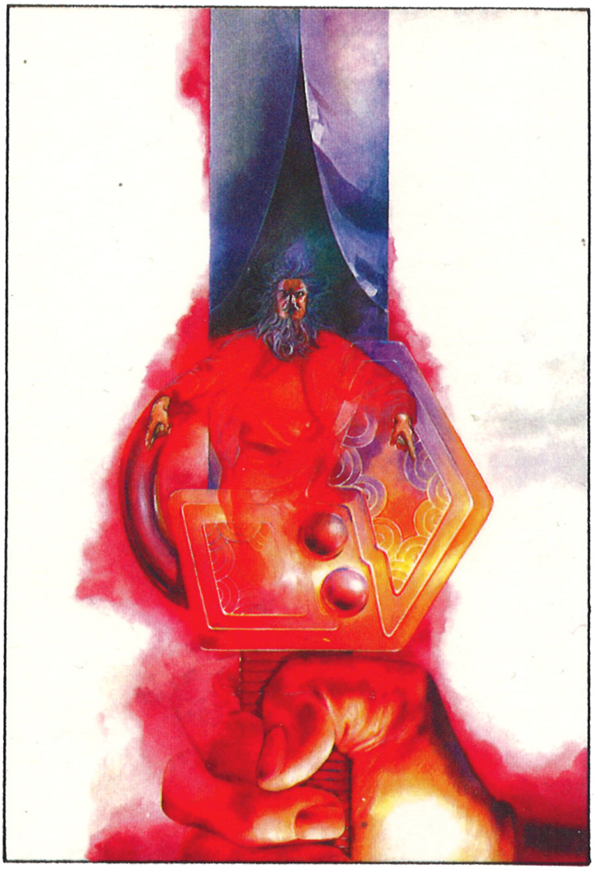

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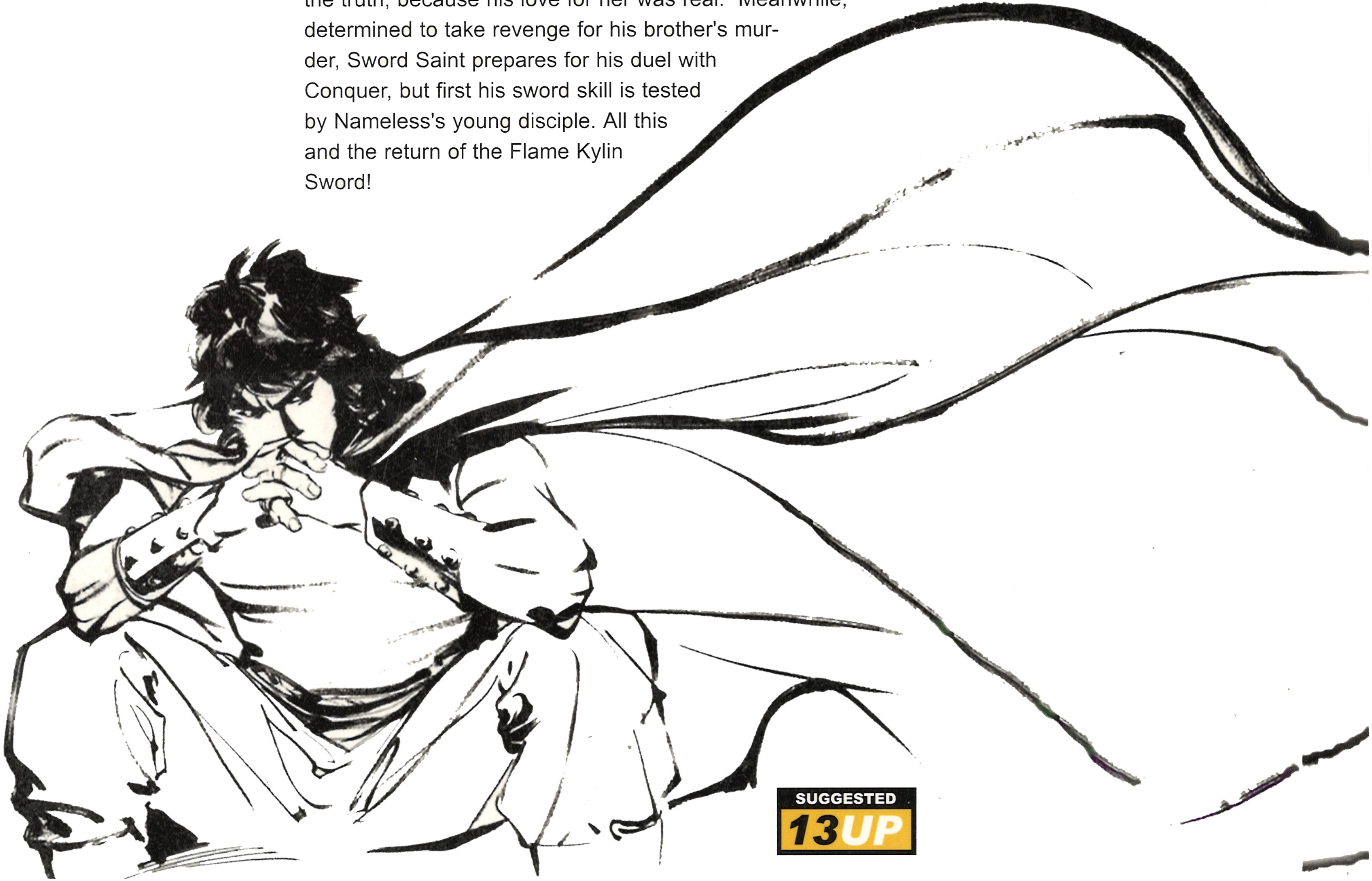

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